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PALMER DECLINES FEDERAL OFFICE

Representative, After Conference With President, Announces Intention to Work for Good Government in Pennsylvania.

A staff correspondent of the Philadelphia Ledger sent from Washington this statement:

Representative A. Mitchell Palmer, who became a candidate for United States Senator in Pennsylvania at the behest of President Wilson, had a long talk with Mr. Wilson, on Thursday of last week, the first since the election. The conference was sought by the President and presumably dealt with Mr. Palmer's future.

After the talk, which lasted for nearly an hour, Mr. Palmer announced that he would not accept an appointment from the Administration and would return to Pennsylvania after the end of his service in Congress to continue his fight for good government in Pennsylvania. This is his present intention. It is understood that in his conference with the President Mr. Palmer made his position clear, although Mr. Wilson suggested that he accept a Federal appointment.

President Wilson assured Mr. Palmer that he desired his co-operation in Pennsylvania; that he was entirely satisfied with the direction of the party organization in Pennsylvania and would not lend his influence in any way to restore the so-called "Old Guard." In other words, Mr. Palmer will continue the Federal dispenser of patronage for Pennsylvania, and will have a more extended field than heretofore.

Mr. Palmer will be recognized by the Administration in the distribution of Federal patronage in every section of the State except the districts represented by Democratic Congressmen. Inasmuch as there will be fewer Democratic Congressmen hereafter than in the present session Mr. Palmer's patronage allotment will be greater. He has no intention of retiring from politics, but will devote himself to the practice of law.

The president has expressed great regard for Mr. Palmer, and those who appear to know things say that they would not be surprised to see Mr. Palmer enter the Cabinet in the next year. There has been talk of Secretary McAdoo retiring before the presidential campaign to direct President Wilson's campaign, and it is not improbable that Mr. Palmer may be asked next year to become Secretary of the Treasury.

Thankoffering Services.

The annual Thankoffering service of the Woman's Home and Foreign Missionary Society of the Lutheran church was held Sunday evening. The offering totaled almost forty dollars. The opening service was conducted by Mrs. S. W. Smith, after which Grace Fye, one of the Mission Band, recited a poem fitting to the occasion. The remainder of the evening was given over to six Penn State students, representing the Prohibition League of Pennsylvania State College, an organization comprised of seventy-five or more students.

The first address was by R. E. Keller, class of 1915, who touched on the social problems. R. M. Decker, class of 1916, followed, confining himself largely to the evils of the liquor traffic as it exists today. Both young men presented their subjects in a strong and forceful manner.

Together with the speakers named above Messrs. A. L. Gillespie, '16; B. H. McCracken, '17; H. P. Vail, '16; and E. J. Perry, '16, formed a quartet that rendered stirring prohibition music. Among the selections was Evangelist Sunday's famous temperance song that thrills the tabernacle entitled, "De Brewer's Big Hosses." The words are printed below:

O de Brewer's big hosses, comin' down de road,
Totin' all around ole Lucifer's load;
Dey step so high, an' dey step so free,
But dem big hosses can't run over me!

(*Chorus*)
Oh, no! boys, oh, no!
De turnpike's free wherebber I go,
I'm a temperance ingine, don't you see,
And de Brewer's big hosses can't run over me!

O de licker men's actin' like dey own dis place,
Livin' on de sweat ob de po' man's face.
Dey's fat and sassy as dey can be,
But dem big hosses can't run over me!

O I'll harness dem hosses to de temp'rance cart,
Hit em' wid a gad to gib 'em a start,
I'll teach 'em how for to haw and gee,
For dem big hosses can't run over me!

The students came to Centre Hall in a car driven by Percival Rudy.

Williamsport Commercial College.

This is a high grade business institution in which young people are trained for office positions—bookkeepers, stenographers, private secretaries and government positions. Good positions are always open for bookkeepers and stenographers. Winter term begins January 6th. Send for catalogue and free trial lessons.

F. E. HEALEY,
Proprietor.

TIPS TO CHRISTMAS SHOPPERS.

"Mail Your Parcels Early" Heads Suggestions To Prevent Rush At the Postoffice This Year.

Postmaster General Burleson joined the "shop early" campaign when he issued his Christmas suggestions to the public headed with the injunction: "Mail your parcels early." Official sanction for the use on parcels of the caution "do not open until Christmas," also was announced.

Among other official suggestions is a warning that names and addresses of senders should be written on each package and also included in the package. The postoffices annually are confronted with the problem of disposing of thousands of parcels that have lost their tags or outer covering and bear nothing to identify the sender or addresses.

The suggestions point out that books or sets of books may now be sent by parcel post, packages weighing eight ounces or less taking a rate of one cent for each two ounces or fraction thereof. Regular zone rates apply above that weight.

Following are additional official rules applying specifically to Christmas packages:

"You may insert in parcel mail written or printed inscriptions such as 'Merry Christmas,' 'Happy New Year' or 'With best wishes.' Upon fly leaves of books you may write simple dedicatory inscriptions not of a personal nature. Other written additions or insertions subject a parcel to letter postage.

"If you desire a written communication to accompany your parcel enclose it in an envelope, affixing first class postage, and tie securely to outside of the parcel. Place the stamps to cover the postage of the parcel upon its wrapper and those to pay postage of the communication upon the envelope."

105-Acre Playground for "State."

With more than 100 acres of State property set aside for recreative exercises, the Pennsylvania State College has the largest playground of any college in the country. In addition to the 25 acres already devoted to outdoor sports, the board of trustees recently voted an additional 80 acres for playground purposes. This area is being laid out in soccer fields, tennis courts, lacrosse fields, baseball diamonds, and football gridirons.

This action by the trustees is but the beginning of a comprehensive system of outdoor exercise that has been prepared by Ray Smith, graduate manager of athletics. The basic idea is to get more men interested in some sort of physical activity out of doors. It is expected the new area, situated on the west campus, will be ready for use in the early spring.

One Cent Telephone Tax.

The Bell Telephone Company has solved the problem of collecting the one cent tax which the government has levied on all messages amounting to fifteen cents or over. A special piece of mechanism has been devised and placed on many coin box-telephones. This meant changing thousands of coin box telephones in the system, a tremendous job in itself. The tax of one cent is to be inserted as directed by the operator, in the quarter slot of the coin box by the person who sends the message.

The law applies not only to all messages on which the rate is 15 cents or more per message, but also to all messages on which the total charge, including overtime, amounts to 15 cents or more.

The F. and M. Disease in Mifflin Co.

Beginning of last week twenty-five cattle, fourteen sheep, and eighteen hogs, representing a total value of $1,024 were killed for Oliver P. Harpster, tenant on the Knepp farm near Lewistown, the cattle having been affected with the foot and mouth disease. A day later it was discovered that the disease was among a herd of twenty-three cows, the property of H. M. Muthersbough, in Granville township.

Transfers of Real Estate.

W. C. Heinle to E. Frank Vail, tract of land in Rush twp. $1 00.

A. M. Kerstetter et ux to Charles E. Shreffler, tract of land in Spring twp. $1,400.

John Hamilton et ux to Charles E. Maule, tract of land in College twp. $500.

Mary E. Miller et bar to Sadie Eminhiser, tract of land in Spring twp. $425.

Mary E. Miller et bar to Annie M. Rider, tract of land in Spring twp $425.

C. T. Gerbrich to James Morrison, tract of land in Bellefonte borough. $250.

John M. Shugert et al to Howard E. Wells, tract of land in Benner twp. $650.

George Schuyler et ux to Clayton H. Pressler, tract of land in Penn twp. $80.

MILLHEIM TALENT IN COMEDY.

Appear in Grange Arcadia—The Rendition First-Class and to a Full House.

When the new town hall in Millheim is constructed, a prominent niche must be given to the Ladies' Civic Club of that town. This organization is untiring in its efforts in collecting funds for the most needed public improvement in that hustling, bustling town on Elk Creek, in lower Penns Valley. It is local pride that is stirring the young, middle-aged and old, (that is if anyone having at heart the welfare of his or her home town maybe called "old",) to activity. When their object is accomplished, which it is certain to be, the part each one had in bringing it about, will be a most pleasant recollection. This especially will apply to those who as amateurs entered upon the stage and gave their best efforts to entertain the homefolk and those of neighboring towns.

The musical comedy, under the title of "Our Minister's Honeymoon," given in Grange Arcadia, Thursday evening, was rendered in fine style. The comedy is one much more pleasing than "Our New Minister," and required more talent in various directions to present it acceptably. Every character represented rendered his or her part in a most creditable manner.

Without detracting in the least from those who so ably supported them, the writer does not hesitate to say that the strong characters were Miss Musser, as bride, and Miss Gutelius, a member of the Sunday-school class. The former looked every bit a bride—sweet and handsome, and her performance as a soprano soloist gave credit to her alma mater, Oberlin College. The latter's sweet voice, bewitching smiles and twinkling eyes in "The Joy of Living," "I want to Go on My Own Honeymoon," and chorusses, brought palm to palm all over the house.

Minister Brown (Guy Springer) and his friend Teddie Spangles (Lloyd W. Stover) were quite at ease on the stage, and their singing was delightful.

The house was well filled, the door receipts having been over fifty dollars.

The program indicates that the following individuals participated in the rendition of the comedy: Mrs. C. E. McClellan, Mrs. A. Kessler, Mrs. Clyde Boob, Mrs. Annie Riehel, Mrs. H. F. McManaway, Miss Edith Sankey, Mrs. T. F. Meyer, Mrs. W. J. Throssell, Mrs. W. S. Musser, Mrs. J. L. Winegardner, Mrs. J. G. Eby, Mrs. G. E. Homan, Mrs. H. H. Leitzell, Miss Mary Gutelius, Mr. Alber Stover, Mr. Stuart Breon, Miss Irene Watkins, Miss Adah Smith, Miss Laurabelle Musser, Miss Mary Shelton, Miss Viola Boob, Miss Esther Stover, Mr. Lloyd W. Stover, Mrs. Stuart Keen, Mr. Guy P. Springer, Miss Margaret I. Musser, Mrs. G S. Frank, Mrs. W. F Smith, Mrs. F. O. Hosterman, Mr. Joseph W. Reifsnyder.

COBURN

Chas R. Meek spent Sunday evening at Fiedler.

George Moyer is slowly improving at this writing.

W. C. Kerstetter wears a broad smile since the arrival of a new son.

James N. Alters made a business trip to Bellefonte last Friday.

Miss Lida Winkleblech spent Sunday with her friend Marion Kerstetter.

Revival meetings are still in progress, and will continue during this week.

Nicodemus Luse killed the largest hogs in this burg; the heaviest one weighed 586 and other 493

L. E. Stover and Samuel Lingle bought another tract of timber from Dr. Kidder at Boalsburg.

The reservoir of the citizens' water plant has been dry for the past week; hope we will soon have water again.

Bright Barger, who underwent an operation is getting along very nicely. He expects to come home in the near future.

Mrs. Frank Bible from Centre Hill was a welcome visitor at the Nicodemus Luse home over last Wednesday.

They expect to have a rural mail route from Coburn to Woodward in the near future.

Walter Barchatt spent his Thanksgiving vacation at his home in Nanticoke.

Orvis and Cyrus Stover from Glydon, Minnesota, spent a few days with their sister at the home of J. E. Harter.

Mrs. Thomas Kaler and daughter, Mrs. Z. A. Weaver, visited Henry Kaler at Lindale one day last week.

Mr. and Mrs. Thomas Hosterman and grandson, Dean Snyder, spent a few days at the home of their daughter Mrs. Thomas Motz near Woodward.

Large Gift to Loysville Home.

The Loysville Orphan's Home, an institution owned by the Lutheran church, received a substantial gift when a farm of one hundred and seventy-two acres was turned over to it. The farm was purchased through funds donated by Frederick Mehring of Keymar, Maryland. The price was $100 per acre.

NEWS OF 1881.

Notes Taken From Files of The Centre Reporter of Thirty-four Years Ago.

February 5th—Benjamin F. Bitner of the Loop intends moving to Jasper county, Mo., the coming spring.

One hundred new dwelling houses at River Hill, located in the barrens in the neighborhood of Lemont, are to be erected for the accommodation of ore workers there.

Hugh Runkle of Orangeville, Ill., is in to his old home on a visit.

The following purchases in real estate have recently been made: The farm of Wm. Ruble near Earlystown was purchased by Col. Joseph Neff, for $6000. The farm of John B. Bitner in the Loop was knocked off to Em. Ettinger of Aaronsburg. The Red Mill and forty acres were purchased by Robert Lee, at $5500.

Married—On the 23rd of January, in the Reformed church at Centre Hall, Calvin J. From to Miss Nellie E. Harpster, both of Centre Hall.

February 10th—B. D. Brisbin slaughtered John Wolf's large bull, near Potters Mills; it dressed 1232 pounds.

Uriah Slack near Potters Mills, in his 88th year, is seriously ill and not expected to recover.

G. L. Goodhart from near this place has had shipped from Ohio a pair of thoroughbred Chester swine. They are very fine and admired by all who have seen them.

Wednesday morning the immense body of snow and ice on Henry Boozer's barn caused the roof to cave in and break out one of the sides. The strain was so great that large beams were snapt apart like sticks.

The Y. M. C. A. of Centre Hall will hold an anniversary on Saturday.

The dwelling occupied by Lucian Spicher, south of Linden Hall, was destroyed by fire, with nearly all its contents. The family was absent when the fire was first discovered

Prof. Jos. H. Feeher is again in Centre Hall instructing the band. The boys are getting along well under his direction.

LOCALS

Horse sale at Millheim, Monday 14th. See adv.

Victor A. Auman was confined to bed for a few days last week suffering from an affection of the heart.

Mrs. S. M. Campbell and Mrs. Peter Shires of Millheim spent Saturday at the home of Mrs. Rebecca Murray.

The Millheim meat market was purchased from R. E. Berry by H. H. Leitzell and he took possession Tuesday of last week.

Miss Lulu Homan and brother Warren spent a few days at State College as guests of their sister, Mrs. Chester Homan.

Within the last year three horses have died for W. E. Stover, who carries the mail between Loganton and Rebersburg.

Boxmakers in the United States use more than four and a half billion board feet of lumber each year or more than one-tenth of the entire lumber cut of the country.

Three books belonging to the Progress Grange library have not been returned and the committee urges that the parties holding same please return the books Saturday afternoon at which time the hall will be open. All books must be returned to the state as a new supply will be on hand in a few weeks.

Jacob Sharer, Master of Progress Grange, and Mrs. Sharer, and Hon. Leonard Rhone represent the local Grange at the State Grange at Meadville. Mr. and Mrs. Daniel Corman of Spring Mills, Austin Dale of Boalsburg, Mr. and Mrs. John S. Dale of State College are also at the same gathering as representatives of their respective local granges.

A short time ago the restaurant of James M. Crissman in Milroy was broken into and a large quantity of cigars, tobacco, etc., stolen. Some time later the booty was unearthed under the floor in a tin shop in which Howard Norris worked, and this resulted in his arrest as well as that of Rush Carson and Elmer Fultz, companions of Norris. The three young men are in the Mifflin county jail.

Mr. and Mrs. Howard Homan are in the east, having left their home in Fullerton, California, a few weeks ago. The couple stopped in several of the large cities on the way east. Mr. Homan reached Centre Hall on Friday, and is greeting old friends here while Mrs. Homan remained in Altoona It is about five years since Mr. and Mrs. Homan left Altoona for the Pacific Coast State, and they have been getting along splendidly in that truly wonderful section. Several lots were purchased by them in Fullerton, and since five dwelling houses have sprung up on them. Mr. Homan is a contractor, and believed the most profitable thing to do would be to build for himself.

GOOD OLD PENNSYLVANIA.

Californian Proclaims Virtues of Keystone State After Giving Pacific Coast State Her Due

We look forward every week with great pleasure for the arrival of the Reporter, for you know it comes from home and always tells us something of our dear friends. I don't believe there is a state in the union that can equal Pennsylvania for climate, scenery, and, in fact, anything. When we first came to California we thought "can heaven be more beautiful," but we were told that when one had been here for several years one will want a change, and we now find it just that way. Summer here is beautiful, and everywhere there are the most beautiful flowers, but one tires of this sameness, and would appreciate a genuine Pennsylvania blizzard.

My mouth watered when I read of the butchering days in Pennsylvania, for I know the great feasts that attend them, and it is only in Pennsylvania that this is done. Hogs here are raised and fattened largely on fish and garbage, corn being one of the serials that cannot be grown here. The little that is grown is small in the ear and full of black worms that lie tight on the grain under the husk. I think it would be impossible to find a single ear not inhabited by this pest.

This surely does not seem like winter with all doors and windows open, flowers blooming, sowing and planting being done. One can eat Christmas dinner in the yard under the palms, go to the beach for bathing, then take a street car and in two hours you are up on Mt. Lowe in the snow. But all this seems artificial, although real for God made it so, but Pennsylvania for me and my family.

MRS. MARY E. LOSE,
Los Angeles, Calif.
December 3, 1915

Breon Farm Sold.

Perry W. Breon, on Saturday, sold his farm known as the Van Valzah place and located one and one-half miles west of Centre Hall, to Chas. D. Bartholomew for the sum of $6275. The farm contains one hundred and twenty acres, ninety-five of which are clear. Mr. Bartholomew expects to devote the place to poultry and hogs.

Mr. Breon also sold his town property, consisting of a house, stable and other outbuildings, to Benjamin H. Arney, the present tenant. The consideration was $2000.

At present Mr. Breon has in mind locating at State College, and in all probability will buy a home there.

Oldest Odd Fellow Dead.

William B. Emmal, 97, said to be the oldest Odd Fellow in the world, died last Tuesday in Lexington, Kentucky. He joined the order in 1839.

REBERSBURG

Harvey Corman is at present on the sick list.

Daniel Corman and family of Penn Hall spent last Sunday at this place.

Mrs. James Moyer of Potters Mills spent several days the past week at this place with her son Mifflin.

The barn on the Bierly farm, situated a short distance from this place and which collapsed under the heavy weight of snow last winter, is at present being rebuilt.

Miss Margaret Woods, who spent several weeks visiting relatives at this place, left for her home at Scottdale.

Charles Faxon, who is employed at State College, spent last Saturday and Sunday at this place with his family.

Mr. and Mrs. Wilbur Diehl, who visited relatives for a month in different parts of Illinois, returned to this place last Friday.

William Weaver of Johnstown is at present at this place buying up a carload of apples. He is paying 60 cents a hundredweight for choice apples.

On Friday morning the people in this vicinity were shocked to hear of the death of Mrs. George Corman. Mrs. Corman's health was failing for the past eight months, although her condition was not considered serious until the angel of death suddenly called her to the far beyond.

On last Saturday the members of the Lutheran church of this place made up a donation of eatables and took it over to Mrs. Henry Detwiler. Mrs. Detwiler was in dire need of assistance as her husband left her in destitute circumstances and has not been heard of.

One day last week while Mrs. Adam Stover of Livonia was helping Henry Strayham to butcher, she had occasion to enter a closet in the house. At this place there are two doors close together, one leading into a closet and the other into the cellar. Mrs. Stover thought she had the door that leads into the closet, but instead she entered the door that leads to the cellar, and before she was able to correct her mistake she fell down the cellar steps. She sustained severe bruises about the head and breast and arms. At first it was thought that her fall might prove fatal, but we are glad to mention at this writing that she is on a fair way to recovery.

The wise farmer is after the limestone ridges with the plow. It is a settled question with farm experts that the turning of tough limestone clay in the fall is beneficial.

TOWN AND COUNTY NEWS.

HAPPENINGS OF LOCAL INTEREST FROM ALL PARTS

Farmers Institute—Monday and Tuesday of next week.

After a suspension of three months, the Howard Hustler again appears.

H. I. Foust has changed the date of his sale to March 3, so that it will not conflict with the sale to be held by George F. Potter.

A horse belonging to farmer Harry W. Frantz, at Earlystown, was found sick one morning last week and died during that day.

Two hundred farmers are taking the short course in agriculture at Pennsylvania State College. The term of twelve weeks opened on Wednesday.

"Our Minister's Honeymoon" will be rendered in Grange Hall, Spring Mills, on Saturday evening. The Reporter stakes its reputation on recommending the company.

Robert J. Smith of near Millheim sustained a fracture of the right arm above the elbow, one day last week, when he was thrown from a motorcycle owned by R. E. Berry.

Miss Jennie K. Reifsnyder of Millheim is on an extended trip through the west, her objective point being the Pacific coast, where she will visit Mrs. Wallace Weaver, nee Miss Ida Breon, at Riverside.

A thousand persons attended the teacher's local institute held at Tylersville, the beginning of last week. That looks very like the people in Sugar Valley were interested in educational affairs in their own locality.

The Millheim town council will enforce the ordinance passed in January, 1909, which forbids the erection or construction of any wooden buildings within the territory in which stood the buildings that were recently destroyed by fire.

The extraction of gasoline from casing-head gas (natural gas from oil wells) has become one of the important adjuncts of the natural-gas industry in the United States. The product is used for motors, lighting and all the arts.

The president of the Woman's Christian Temperance Union in McConnellsburg announces that the names of all persons who sign applications for liquor licenses in Fulton county will be published in the newspapers of the county.

Samuel Gross has been disabled for a week on account of a nail having penetrated one of his limbs above the knee. He is a carpenter and was working at State College, the injury having occurred by breaking a shingle, in which there was a nail, over his knee.

Canada is fully awakening to the evils of intemperance, and now is asking that all grog shops close at 7 o'clock p. m. The government proposes to fortify itself with a law to compel the closing of bars at any hour selected by it, and give municipalities the right to limit by majority vote the number of licenses.

A Pine Grove Mills correspondent represents that it has two aged citizens who are capable of mountain climbing, and proves it by saying that William J. Dale, eighty-two years old, and D. L. Dennis, seventy-eight years old, walked to the top of the second mountain on Thanksgiving Day, returning in the evening, none the worse for the jaunt.

While a hunting party were amusing themselves shooting at a tin can, a pump gun was accidentally discharged, and a number of the pellets entered the body of Mr. Nearhood, a farmer of near Howard, who was one of the hunting party. The wounds were over the heart, and while serious it is not thought they will prove fatal. The injured man is in the Lock Haven hospital.

A carload of horses was shipped from Coburn station on Wednesday of last week, says the Journal, to Philadelphia markets. The horses were purchased by Thomas Miller of Philadelphia, assisted by G. E. Homan, Millheim, and were mostly high-grade. H. G. Gilmore, of near town, sold every horse—six in number—he had on his place and, of course, will be looking for good ones at the next sale in Millheim, Monday, December, 14.

Harold Keller, the youngest son of Mr. and Mrs. D. K. Keller, sustained a compound fracture of the lower part of the ulna in the left arm Wednesday afternoon of last week while playing a game of football with his associates. Dr. H. H. Longwell reduced the fracture and on Friday the lad was taken to Bellefonte and an xray examination was made by Dr. R. G. H. Hayes. The examination proved a correct setting of the bones by the local physician, and the arm is mending nicely.

LODZ TAKEN BY GERMANS

Russians Driven From Polish City After Series of Hard Battles.

Forward Movement by German Wings Begun Thursday.

(Latest Summary.)

Lodz, the second city of Poland and lying 75 miles to the west-southwest of Warsaw, has fallen to the German arms. It was occupied Sunday, according to the official announcement from Berlin.

Around this important town a desperate battle has raged for days. Here countless thousands have fallen in desperate hand-to-hand conflicts and from the shells of hundreds of guns.

It was evident from the occupation of Lodz by the Germans that the heaviest kind of fighting has been going on, for late advices told of a vicious attack and bombardment of Lodz and fighting on the outskirts of the city, and previous to that of operations 20 miles west of Pitrokow, which lies considerably south of Lodz and along a line from Glowne, 16 miles northeast of Lodz, to the Vistula River.

Lodz has long been an objective point of the German Army. It has grown in recent years from an insignificant place to be one of the most populous cities in the Russian Empire.

In 1910 its population numbered 415,604, and with this important place as a base it is expected that the Germans will make a strong effort to reach the Polish capital of Warsaw.

The Germans, having been unsuccessful in their attempt to pierce the Russian center, have begun, with the aid of reinforcements, an attempt to envelop the Russians on both flanks.

Advices from Berlin via Copenhagen and London say that 40 British and French warships are gathered at a place, the name of which is withheld, but supposedly the Dardenelles, with the evident intention of forcing their way through.

While the Allies are pushing forward in Flanders and in Northern France, the Germans explain that they are giving ground for strategical reasons.

Russians occupied two towns in the eastern part of Turkey, in Asia, near the border, as the result of engagements fought on the Persian, Dilman and Khoi routes.

King Nicholas of Montenegro is said to have admitted that he had lost a third of his army. The war strength of Montenegro had been estimated at 50,000.

Thousands of men are engaged in digging trenches and otherwise completing the work of fortifying Vienna, the capital of Austria.

A dispatch from Bucharest says Roumania has definitely decided to enter the war on the side of the Allies.

CONFIDENCE OF ITALIANS.

Chamber Passes Vote Concerning the Government.

Rome.—The Italian Chamber passed a vote of confidence in the Government, 413 to 49.

Admiral Bettolo, ex-Minister of Marine, presented the resolution calling for a vote of confidence in the Cabinet. The Admiral said he approved of the reasons for neutrality as given by Premier Salandra.

Italy's neutrality was not due to unsatisfactory military conditions in this country, Admiral Bettolo said, but to the fact that Italy was not obliged to follow the central empires of Europe. The former Minister added:

"Our neutrality must be strongly armed to enable us to defend the supreme interests of the country if they are threatened or unrecognized. Our neutrality should be an expression of Italy's diplomatic and military power."

BETRAYED BY CHURCH LIGHTS.

Spy Found Frenchmen Sleeping and Signaled Germans.

London.—How 500 French troops were betrayed by a spy on Tuesday last is told in dispatches from Dunkirk.

The French soldiers were sleeping in a church at Lampernisse. A spy in some way gained access to the belfry and displayed lights which notified the German artillery of the presence of the troops.

A bombardment immediately followed, and, the exact range being known to the enemy, the sleeping men were cut to pieces by exploding shells, which also set fire to the straw on which they had been lying.

REPORTS HEAVY GERMAN LOSS.

Copenhaven Dispatch Says 658,483 Have Fallen.

London.—A dispatch to the Times from Copenhagen says:

"The latest German casualty list contains the names of 13,721 officers and men killed, wounded and missing. This makes a total of 658,483, not including the previous Wurtemberg, Saxon and Bavarian lists.

"The Bavarians suffered heavily, according to the present list, with over 9,000 casualties out of the total of 13,000. One regiment of 3,000 lost 1,600 men in Flanders, including three generals.

ALLIES PUSH OPERATIONS IN WESTERN FLANDERS

Kaiser's Infantry Continues Offensive Movement in Argonne Forests---King George and Kitchener Hearten British

RUSSIAN ARMY CLOSES IN ON CRACOW

RUSSIA.

PETROGRAD.—On the left bank of the Vistula there has been some fierce fighting on the front of Glowno-Lowicz and also in the western roads toward Lodz and Piotakow. On the other fronts there were no essential modifications in the lines. On the fronts in the Caucasus there was no important fighting.

GERMANY.

BERLIN.—In the western theatre of war French attacks against our troops in Flanders were repeatedly repulsed, as they were also in the region northwest of Altkirch, where the French suffered considerable losses. In the eastern theatre of war the eemy's attacks east of the plain of the Mazuran Lakes were repulsed with heavy losses to the Russians. Our offensive in Poland is taking its normal course.

FRANCE.

PARIS.—At no place along the entire front has there been any notable incident. On our right wing we have made progress in the direction of, and near to, Altkirch. We took 991 prisoners in the region of the north alone. In Belgium there has bee an intermittent but fairly spirited cannonade between the railroad from Ypres to Roulers and the highway between Becelaere and Pass Chendaele, where the infantry of the enemy endeavored to gain ground, but quite without success. At Vermelles we are continuing the work of organizing the positions taken from the enemy. From the Somme to the Argonne region there is quiet along the entire front. In the Argonne there have been several attacks on the part of German infantry, but all were repulsed by our troops, particularly at La Corne, to the northwest of the Forest of Grurie. There has been some artillery firing in the Woevre district and in Lorraine. There is nothing to report in Alsace.

AUSTRIA.

VIENNA.—In the Carpathians, in West Galicia, and in South Poland, quiet prevails generally. The fighting in North Poland continues.

CHRISTIANS FLEE TURKEY AS HOLY WAR COMMENCES

Washington. — The State Department was advised that the Turks have proclaimed a holy war and that a general exodus of Europeans from the Ottoman Empire has commenced. This news came from Charles J. Vopicka, the American Minister at Bucharest, who received his information from the Servian Minister in the Roumanian capital. The Servian Governmet has announced that all treaties between Turkey and Servia are inoperative.

Ambassador Henry Morgenthau at Constantinople reported unrest among foreigners and the expulsion of about 400 French nationals from the interior country.

Mr. Morgenthau has received assurances from Turkish officials that citizens of the United States will not be molested.

Airman Drops Bombs on Krupp Gun Works

Unknown Aviator Makes Daring Flight Over Germany's Great Plant at Essen, Shells the Building and Escapes Uninjured

London.—A foreign aeronaut dropped bombs on the Krupp factory at Essen, Germany, the great plant at which are manufactured the famous German siege guns, as well as smaller arms and ammunition, according to a dispatch received from The Hague.

This message quotes a dispatch from Berlin to the effect that the bombs were dropped on the buildings devoted to the manufacture of cannon.

It is said that the airman escaped uninjured and that the extent of the damage has not been ascertained.

More than sixty thousand workmen and nearly seven thousand engineers and clerks are employed. The firm's capital was nearly $60,000,000 in 1911.

The city of Essen, where the main Krupp works are located, has more than 100,000 inhabitants, and depends for its existence almost entirely on the gun factory.

IRISH NEWSPAPER SEIZED.

Police Raid Office, Confiscate Edition, of Pro-German Monthly.

Dublin.—The police have raided the office of the Irish Freedom, a monthly newspaper, which has been opposing enlistment and expressing pro-German sentiments. All copies of the newspaper on newsstands were confiscated. The police also have prevented the distribution of another newspaper of similar tendency.

There has been widespread agitation for suppressing of these publications.

GERMAN ARMY SLIPS THROUGH GAP LEFT BY CZAR'S TARDY GENERAL

Rennenkampf Superseded in Command After Spoiling the Grand Duke's Inclosing Movement in West Poland.

London.—Reports agree that the fighting in the northern section of the Western Poland battle front is still violent. Petrograd and Berlin both claim successes, though it is admitted in the Russian capital that Grand Duke Nicholas did not fully succeed in his enveloping movement. General Rennenkampf, whose failure to reach his alloted position in time is said to have defeated the strategic plan, has been superseded in his command. While Berlin claim the Germans have taken 80,000 prisoners in the Poland fighting, the Russians declare the Czar's armies have taken still more. Five German towing steamers with war munitions have been captured at Plock, on the Vistula.

In Flanders the present fighting, of minor importance in itself, is preliminary to the general engagement which appears to be imminent. Strategic believe that the enemy's first homeward movement in force will be the signal for the Allies to take the offensive. In the Argonne and Alsace there have been engagements in which the Allies claim gains, but the fighting line has not been changed to any considerable extent. Bombardments are reported from sev-

EAST AND WEST FRONTS ACTIVE

Rotterdam.—The German army in Western Poland, reinforced and with its lines reformed, is making a violent effort to break through the Russian front southwest of Lodz and force a way to Warsaw. The Russians thus far have held their lines. The Russians in Galicia are mounting siege guns at Wieliczka, which will reach the outer forts of Cracow. This stronghold is the door to Vienna, Breslau and Berlin.

The Germans have renewed their attack on the Allies and the fighting now extends along nearly the whole battle line in France and Belgium. The attack was preceded by a daring attempt of the Germans to cross the Yser in the dark hours before dawn. They were discovered, however, and repulsed. They have advanced at no point so far.

TSING-TAU WAS RICH PRIZE.

Tokio.—A list of the war booty captured by Japan at Tsing-tau, the German stronghold in China, was made public by army headquarters. It includes 2,500 rifles, 100 machine guns, 30 field guns, all needing repair; a small amount of ammunition, $6,000 in cash, 15,000 tons of coal, 40 automobiles, and provisions sufficient to feed 5,000 persons for three months. All ships in the harbor were destroyed.

WOUNDED FILL MANY TRAINS.

Geneva.—The number of wounded soldiers arriving by train at Duesseldorf, Luxemburg, Cologne, and even Kolmar, is so great that many ammunition trains on the way to the front have been sidetracked, according to dependable advices coming to Geneva. This has been going on for the last ten days. In Luxemburg, especially, there is a large quantity of ammunition waiting to be forwarded.

EPITOME OF WAR NEWS

- The Russian army is closing on the Austrian fortress of Cracow, the complete envelopment of the city being temporarily delayed only by desultory German attacks.
- Cheered by the presence of Lord Kitchener and the King of England, and feeling that now is the time to strike, the Allies are taking the offensive in real earnest.
- The Poles have protested to the Pope and neutral states against the use by the defenders of the historical buildings for observation towers, thus inviting their destruction.
- Gen. French, who is in charge of the Allies' forces in the North, is said to have 700,000 men at his disposal for a drive at the German line, while 160,000 fresh troops have brought the Kaiser's forces in that section up to nearly the same number.
- Volunteers from New Zealand and Australia were disembarked in Egypt to help defend the British from the Turks, who are said to be marching on the Suez Canal.
- The Germans are trying at all costs to keep Zeebrugge and the Bruges ship canal in order to cope with the naval bombardment.

EMPTY MARKETS TURN TO AMERICA

Europe Will Need Our Help, Says President in Message to Congress—Ships Our Greatest Need—New Tasks and Duties Imposed on United States by the War.

Washington, Dec. 8.—The necessity for legislation to prodvide for transportation of our commerce by sea was strongly urged by President Wilson in his message to congress today. The president pointed out that the markets of the greater part of the world are empty and that ours is the duty to supply the needs not only of the countries of Europe, but also of the countries which hitherto have looked to Europe for their supplies. The message in part follows:

The session upon which you are now entering will be the closing session of the Sixty-third congress, a congress, I venture to say, which will long be remembered for the great body of thoughtful and constructive work which it has done, in loyal response to the thought and needs of the country.

While we have worked at our tasks of peace the circumstances of the whole age have been altered by war. What we have done for our own land and our own people we did with the best that was in us, whether of character or of intelligence, with sober enthusiasm and a confidence in the principles upon which we were acting which sustained us at every step of the difficult undertaking; but it is done. It has passed from our hands. We face new tasks, have been facing them these six months, must face them in the months to come—face them without partisan feeling, like men who have forgotten everything but a common duty and the fact that we are representatives of a great people whose thought is not of us but of what America owes to herself and to all mankind in such circumstances as these upon which we look amazed and anxious.

Europe Will Need Our Help.

War has interrupted the means of trade not only but also the processes of production. In Europe it is destroying men and resources wholesale and upon a scale unprecedented and appalling. There is reason to fear that the time is near, if it be not already at hand, when several of the countries of Europe will find it difficult to do for their people what they have hitherto been always easily able to do, many essential and fundamental things. At any rate they will need our help and our manifold services as they have never needed them before; and we should be ready, more fit and ready than we have ever been.

If is of equal consequence that the nations whom Europe has usually supplied with innumerable articles of manufacture and commerce can now get only a small part of what they formerly imported and eagerly look to us to supply their all but empty markets. Here are markets which we must supply, and we must find the means of action.

We Need Ships.

It is a very practical matter, a matter of ways and means. We have the resources, but are we fully ready to use them? And if we can made ready what we have, have we the means at hand to distribute it? We are not fully ready; neither have we the means of distribution. We are willing, but we are not fully able. We have the wish to serve and to serve greatly, generously; but we are not prepared as we should be. We are not ready to mobilize our resources at once. We are not prepared to use them immediately and at their best, without delay and without waste.

To speak plainly we have grossly erred in the way in which we have stunted and hindered the development of our merchant marine. And now, when we need ships, we have not got them.

I have come to ask you to remedy and correct these mistakes and omissions. The time and the circumstances are extraordinary, and so must our efforts be also.

Use and Conservation.

Fortunately, two great measures, finely conceived, the one to unlock, with proper safeguards, the resources of the national domain, the other to encourage the use of the navigable waters outside that domain for the generation of power, have already passed the house of representatives and are ready for immediate consideration and action by the senate. With the deepest earnestness I urge their prompt passage.

And there is another great piece of legislation which awaits and should receive the sanction of the senate:

I mean the bill which gives a larger measure of self-government to the people of the Philippines. I cannot believe that the senate will let this great measure of constructive justice await the action of another congress. Its passage would nobly crown the record of these two years of memorable labor.

An Important Duty.

But I think that you will agree with me that this does not complete the toll of our duty. How are we to carry our goods to the empty markets of which I have spoken if we have not the certain and constant means of transportation upon which all profitable and useful commerce depends? And how are we to get the ships if we wait for the trade to develop without them?

The routes of trade must be actually opened—by many ships and regular sailings and moderate charges—before streams of merchandise will flow freely and profitably through them.

Must Open Gates of Trade.

Hence the pending shipping bill, discussed at the last session, but as yet passed by neither house. In my judgment such legislation is imperatively needed and cannot wisely be postponed. The government must open these gates of trade. I very earnestly hope that the congress will adopt this exceedingly important bill.

The great subject of rural credits still remains to be dealt with, and it is a matter of deep regret that the difficulties of the subject have seemed to render it impossible to complete a bill for passage at this session. But it cannot be perfected yet.

Economy Is Urged.

Before I close, may I say a few words upon two topics, much discussed out of doors, upon which it is highly important that our judgments should be clear, definite and steadfast. One of these is economy in government expenditures.

The sort of economy we ought to practice may be effected, and ought to be effected, by a careful study and assessment of the tasks to be performed; and the money spent ought to be made to yield the best possible returns in efficiency and achievement. And, like good stewards, we should so account for every dollar of our appropriations as to make it perfectly evident what it was spent for and in what way it was spent.

It is not expenditure but extravagance that we should fear being criticized for; not paying for the legitimate enterprises and undertakings of a great government whose people command what it should do, but adding what will benefit only a few or pouring money out for what need not have been undertaken at all or might have been postponed or better and more economically conceived and carried out. The nation is not niggardly; it is very generous. It will chide us only if we forget for whom we pay money out and whose money it is we pay.

These are large and general standards, but they are not very difficult of application to particular cases.

The National Defense.

The other topic I shall take leave to mention goes deeper into the principles of our national life and policy.

It is the subject of national defense. It cannot be discussed without first answering some very searching questions.

It is said in some quarters that we are not prepared for war. What is meant by being prepared? Is it meant that we are not ready upon brief notice to put a nation in the field, a nation of men trained to arms? Of course we are not ready to do that; and we shall never be in time of peace so long as we retain our present political principles, and institutions. And what is it that it is suggested we should be prepared to do? To defend ourselves against attack? We have always found means to do that, and shall find them whenever it is necessary without calling our people away from their necessary tasks to render compulsory military service in times of peace.

Fear No Nation.

We are at peace with all the world. No one who speaks counsel based on fact or drawn from a just and candid interpretation of realities can say that there is reason for fear that from any quarter our independence or the integrity of our territory is threatened. Dread of the power of any other nation we are incapable of. We are not jealous of rivalry in the fields of commerce or of any other peaceful achievement. We mean to live our lives as we will; but we mean also to let live. We are, indeed, a true friend to all the nations of the world, because we threaten none, covet the possessions of none, desire the overthrow of none. Our friendship can be accepted and is accepted without reservation, because it is offered in a spirit and for a purpose which no one need ever question or suspect. Therein lies our greatness. We are the champions of peace and of concord. And we should be very jealous of this distinction which we have sought to earn. Just now we should be particularly jealous of it, because it is our dearest present hope that this character and reputation may presently, in God's providence, bring us an opportunity to counsel and obtain peace in the world and reconciliation and a healing settlement of many a matter that has cooled and interrupted the friendship of nations. This is the time above all others that we should wish and resolve to keep our strength by self-possession, our influence by preserving our ancient principles of action.

Ready for Defense.

From the first we have had a clear and settled policy with regard to military establishments. We never have had, and while we retain our present principles and ideals we never shall have, a large standing army. If asked, are you ready to defend yourselves? We reply, most assuredly, to the utmost; and yet we shall not turn America into a military camp. We must depend in every time of national peril, in the future as in the past, not upon a standing army, nor yet upon a reserve army, but upon a citizenry trained and accustomed to arms. It will be right enough, right American policy, based upon our accustomed principles and practices, to provide a system by which every citizen who will volunteer for the training may be made familiar with the use of modern arms, the rudiments of drill and maneuver, and the maintenance and sanitation of camps. We should encourage such training and make it a means of discipline which our young men will learn to value. The National Guard of the states should be developed and strengthened by every means which is not inconsistent with our obligations to our own people or with the established policy of our government. And this, also, not because the time or occasion specially calls for such measures, but because it should be our constant policy to make these provisions for our national peace and safety.

More than this carries with it a reversal of the whole history and character of our polity. More than this, proposed at this time, permit me to say, would mean merely that we had lost our self-possession, that we had been thrown off our balance by a war with which we have nothing to do, whose causes cannot touch us, whose very existence affords us opportunities of friendship and disinterested service which should make us ashamed of any thought of hostility or fearful preparation for trouble. This is assuredly the opportunity for which a people and a government like ours were raised up, the opportunity not only to speak but actually to embody and exemplify the counsels of peace and amity and the lasting concord which is based on justice and fair and generous dealing.

Ships Our Natural Bulwarks.

A powerful navy we have always regarded as our proper and natural means of defense; and it has always been of defense that we have thought, never of aggression or of conquest. But who shall tell us now what sort of navy to build? We shall take leave to be strong upon the seas, in the future as in the past; and there will be no thought of offense or of provocation in that. Our ships are our natural bulwarks. When will the experts tell us just what kind we should construct—and when will they be right for ten years together, if the relative efficiency of craft of different kinds and uses continues to change as we have seen it change under our very eyes in these last few months?

But I turn away from the subject. It is not new. There is no new need to discuss it. Let there be no misconception. The country has been misinformed. We have not been negligent of national defense. We are not unmindful of the great responsibility resting upon us. We shall learn and profit by the lesson of every experience and every new circumstances; and what is needed will be adequately done.

Great Duties of Peace.

I close, as I began, by reminding you of the great tasks and duties of peace which challenge our best powers and invite us to build what will last, the tasks to which we can address ourselves now and at all times the free-hearted zest and with all the finest gifts of constructive wisdom we possess. To develop our life and our resources; to supply our own people, and the people of the world as their need arises, from the abundant plenty of our fields and our marts of trade; to enrich the commerce of our own states and of the world with the products of our mines, our farms, and our factories, with the creations of our thought and the fruits of our character—this is what will hold our attention and our enthusiasm steadily, now and in the years to come, as we strive to show in our life as a nation what liberty and the inspirations of an emancipated spirit may do for men and for societies, for individuals, for states, and for mankind.

SNAKES ON DINNER TABLE

Novel Banquet at Philadelphia in Honor of Curator of Bronx Zoo Startles the Guests.

A score of writhing snakes, one of them more than five feet long, created terror among a quantity of supper guests at Cafe L'Aiglon, Fifteenth and Chestnut streets, says the Philadelphia Public Ledger. The occasion was a "snake" dinner, given for Dr. Raymond L. Ditmars, curator of the Bronx zoo. The snakes were placed upon the dinner table in a glass receptacle from which they could easily have escaped. When they appeared, several women at nearby tables, not knowing that they were tame, hastily departed.

But the snakes were not alone. There was a large jar of frogs and toads of many strange varieties, that kept the cafe frequenters interested with an undertone of croakings. And the center of the table was occupied by a fern filled with chirping insects, known throughout Japan, whence they came, as "walking sticks."

The menu was arranged in keeping with the decorations. There were, of course, eels and frogs' legs. There was a "Bronx Zoo salad," which was full of mystery, even to the guests, because the ingredients were not revealed. But the most peculiar dish of all was porcupine steak.

The average husband is a silent partner.

The CALL of the CUMBERLANDS

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CHAPTER I.

Close to the serried backbone of the Cumberland ridge through a sky of mountain clarity, the sun seemed hesitating before its descent to the horizon. The sugar-loaf cone that towered above a creek called Misery was pointed and edged with emerald tracery where the loftiest timber thrust up its crest plumes into the sun. On the hillsides it would be light for more than an hour yet, but below, where the waters tossed themselves along in a chorus of tiny cascades, the light was already thickening into a cathedral gloom. Down there the "furriner" would have seen only the rough course of the creek between moss-velveted and shaded bowlders of titanic proportions. The native would have recognized the country road in these tortuous twistings. A great block of sandstone, to whose summit a man standing in his saddle could scarcely reach his fingertips, towered above the stream, with a gnarled scrub oak clinging tenaciously to its apex. Loftily on both sides climbed the mountains cloaked in laurel and timber.

Suddenly the leafage was thrust aside from above by a cautious hand, and a shy, half-wild girl appeared in the opening. For an instant she halted, with her brown fingers holding back the brushwood, and raised her face as though listening. As she stood with the toes of one bare foot twisting in the gratefully cool moss she laughed with the sheer exhilaration of life and youth, and started out on the table top of the huge rock. But there she halted suddenly with a startled exclamation and drew instinctively back. What she saw might well have astonished her, for it was a thing she had never seen before and of which she had never heard. Finally, reassured by the silence, she slipped across the broad face of the flat rock for a distance of twenty-five feet and paused again to listen.

At the far edge lay a pair of saddlebags, such as form the only practical equipment for mountain travelers. Near them lay a tin box, littered with small and unfamiliar-looking tubes of soft metal, all grotesquely twisted and stained, and beside the box was a strangely shaped plaque of wood smeared with a dozen hues. That this plaque was a painter's sketching palette was a thing which she could not know, since the ways of artists had to do with a world as remote from her own as the life of the moon or stars. It was one of those vague mysteries that made up the wonderful life of "down below." Why had these things been left here in such confusion? If there was a man about who owned them he would doubtless return to claim them. She crept over, eyes and ears alert, and slipped around to the front of the queer tripod, with all her muscles poised in readiness for flight.

A half-rapturous and utterly astonished cry broke from her lips. She stared a moment, then dropped to the moss-covered rock, leaning back on her brown hands and gazing intently.

"Hit's purty!" she approved, in a low, musical murmur. "Hit's plumb dead beautiful!"

Of course it was not a finished picture—merely a study of what lay before her—but the hand that had placed these brush strokes on the academy board was the sure, deft hand of a master of landscape, who had caught the splendid spirit of the thing and fixed it immutably in true and glowing appreciation. Who he was; where he had gone; why his work stood there unfinished and abandoned, were details which for the moment this half-savage child-woman forgot to question. She was conscious only of a sense of revelation and awe. Then she saw other boards, like the one upon the easel, piled near the paint box. These were dry, and represented the work of other days; but they were all pictures of her own mountains, and in each of them, as in this one, was something that made her heart leap.

To her own people these steep hillsides and "coves" and valleys were a matter of course. In their stony soil they labored by day, and in their shadows slept when work was done. Yet someone had discovered that they held a picturesque and rugged beauty; that they were not merely steep fields where the plow was useless and the hoe must be used. She must tell Samson—Samson, whom she held in an artless exaltation of hero worship; Samson, who was so "smart" that he thought about things beyond her understanding; Samson, who could not only read and write, but speculate on problematical matters.

Suddenly she came to her feet with a swift-darting impulse of alarm. Her ear had caught a sound. She cast searching glances about her, but the tangle was empty of humanity. The water still murmured over the rocks undisturbed. There was no sign of human presence, other than herself, that her eyes could discover—and yet to her ears came the sound again, and this time more distinctly. It was the sound of a man's voice, and it was moaning as if in pain. She rose and searched vainly through the bushes of the hillside where the rock ran out from the woods. She lifted her skirts and splashed her feet in the shallow creek water, wading persistently up and down. Her shyness was forgotten. The groan was a groan of a human creature in distress, and she must find and succor the person from whom it came.

Certain sounds are baffling as to direction. A voice from overhead or broken by echoing obstacles does not readily betray its source. Finally she stood up and listened once more intently—her attitude full of tense earnestness.

"I'm shore a fool," she announced, half aloud. "I'm shore a plumb fool." Then she turned and disappeared in the deep cleft between the gigantic bowlder upon which she had been sitting and another—small only by comparison. There, ten feet down, in a narrow alley littered with ragged stones, lay the crumpled body of a man. It lay with the left arm doubled under it, and from a gash in the forehead trickled a thin stream of blood. Also, it was the body of such a man as she had not seen before.

Although from the man came a low groan mingled with his breathing, it was not such a sound as comes from fully conscious lips, but rather that of a brain dulled into coma.

Freed from her fettering excess of shyness by his condition, the girl stepped surely from foothold to foothold until she reached his side. She stood for a moment with one hand on the dripping walls of rock, looking down while her hair fell about her face. Then, dropping to her knees, she shifted the doubled body into a leaning posture, straightened the limbs, and began exploring with efficient fingers for broken bones.

She had found the left arm limp above the wrist, and her fingers had diagnosed a broken bone. But unconsciousness must have come from the blow on the head, where a bruise was already blackening, and a gash still trickled blood.

She lifted her skirt and tore a long strip of cotton from her single petticoat. Then she picked her bare-footed way swiftly to the creek bed, where she drenched the cloth for bathing and bandaging the wound. When she had done what she could by way of first aid she sat supporting the man's shoulders and shook her head dubiously.

Finally the man's lids fluttered and his lips moved. Then he opened his eyes.

"Hello!" said the stranger, vaguely. "I seem to have—" He broke off, and his lips smiled. It was a friendly, understanding smile, and the girl, fighting hard the shy impulse to drop his shoulders and flee into the kind masking of the bushes, was in a measure reassured.

A Low Groan Mingled With His Breathing.

"You must hev fell offen the rock," she enlightened.

"I think I might have fallen into worse circumstances," replied the unknown.

"I reckon you kin set up after a little."

"Yes, of course." The man suddenly realized that although he was quite comfortable as he was he could scarcely expect to remain permanently in the support of her bent arm. He attempted to prop himself on his hurt hand and relaxed with a twinge of extreme pain. The color, which had begun to creep back into his cheeks, left them again, and his lips compressed themselves tightly to bite off an exclamation of suffering.

"Thet air left arm air busted," announced the young woman, quietly. "Ye've got ter be heedful."

Had one of her own men hurt himself and behaved stoically it would have been mere matter of course; but her eyes mirrored a pleased surprise at the stranger's good-natured nod and his quiet refusal to give expression to pain. It relieved her of the necessity for contempt.

"I'm afraid," apologized the painter, "that I've been a great deal of trouble to you."

Her lips and eyes were sober as she replied.

"I reckon thet's all right."

"And what's worse, I've got to be more trouble. Did you see anything of a brown mule?"

She shook her head.

"He must have wandered off. May I ask to whom I am indebted for this first aid to the injured?"

"I don't know what ye means."

She had propped him against the rocks and sat near by, looking into his face with almost disconcerting steadiness; her solemn-pupiled eyes were unblinking, unsmiling.

"Why, I mean who are you?" he laughed.

"I hain't nobody much. I jest lives over yon."

"But," insisted the man, "surely you have a name."

She nodded.

"Hit's Sally."

"Then, Miss Sally, I want to thank you."

Once more she nodded, and, for the first time, let her eyes drop, while she sat nursing her knees. Finally she glanced up and asked with plucked-up courage:

"Stranger, what mout yore name be?"

"Lescott—George Lescott."

"How'd ye git hurt?"

He shook his head.

"I was painting—up there," he said; "and I guess I got too absorbed in the work. I stepped backward to look at the canvas and forgot where the edge was. I stepped too far."

The man rose to his feet, but he tottered and reeled against the wall of ragged stone. The blow on his head had left him faint and dizzy. He sat down again.

"I'm afraid," he ruefully admitted, "that I'm not quite ready for discharge from your hospital."

"You jest set where yer at." The girl rose and pointed up the mountainside. "I'll light out across the hill and fotch Samson an' his mule."

"Who and where is Samson?" he inquired. He realized that the bottom of the valley would shortly thicken into darkness, and that the way out, unguided, would become impossible. "It sounds like the name of a strong man."

"I means Samson South," she enlightened, as though further description of one so celebrated would be redundant. "He's over thar 'bout three-quarters."

"Three-quarters of a mile?"

She nodded. What else could three-quarters mean?

"How long will it take you?" he asked.

She deliberated. "Samson's hoein' corn in the fur hill field. He'll hev ter cotch his mule. Hit mout tek a half-hour."

"You can't do it in a half-hour, can you?"

"I'll jest take my foot in my hand, an' light out." She turned, and with a nod was gone.

At last she came to a point where a clearing rose on the mountainside above her. The forest blanket was stripped off to make way for a fenced-in and crazily tilting field of young corn. High up and beyond, close to the bald shoulders of sandstone which threw themselves against the sky, was the figure of a man. As the girl halted at the foot of the field, at, last, panting from her exertions, he was sitting on the rail fence, looking absently down on the outstretched panorama below him.

Samson South was not, strictly speaking, a man. His age was perhaps twenty. He sat loose-jointed and indolent on the top rail of the fence, his hands hanging over his knees, his hoe forgotten. Near by, propped against the rails, rested a repeating rifle, though the people would have told you that the truce in the "South-Holliman war" had been unbroken for two years, and that no clansman need in these halcyon days go armed afield.

CHAPTER II.

Sally clambered lightly over the fence and started on the last stage of her journey, the climb across the young corn rows. It was a field stood on end, and the hoed ground was uneven; but with no seeming of weariness her red dress flashed steadfastly across the green spears, and her voice was raised to shout: "Hello, Samson!"

The young man looked up and waved a languid greeting. He did not remove his hat or descend from his place of rest, and Sally, who expected no such attention, came smilingly on. Samson was her hero. Slow of utterance and diffident with the stranger, words now came fast and fluently as she told her story of the man who lay hurt at the foot of the rock.

"Hit hain't long now tell sundown," she urged. "Hurry, Samson, an' git yore mule. I've done give him my promise ter fotch ye right straight back."

Samson took off his hat, and tossed the heavy lock upward from his forehead. His brow wrinkled with doubts.

"What sort of lookin' feller air he?"

While Sally sketched a description, the young man's doubt grew graver.

"This hain't no fit time ter be takin' in folks what we hain't acquainted with," he objected. In the mountains any time is the time to take in strangers unless there are secrets to be guarded from outside eyes.

"Why hain't it?" demanded the girl. "He's hurt. We kain't leave him layin' thar, kin we?"

Suddenly her eyes caught sight of the rifle leaning near by, and straightway they filled with apprehension. Her militant love would have turned to hate for Samson, should he have proved recreant to the mission of reprisal in which he was biding his time, yet the coming of the day when the truce must end haunted her thoughts. She came close, and her voice sank with her sinking heart.

"What air hit?" she tensely demanded. "What air hit, Samson? What fer hev ye fotched yer gun ter the field?"

The boy laughed. "Oh, hit ain't nothin' pertic'ler," he reassured. "Hit hain't nothin' fer a gal ter fret herself erbout, only I kinder suspicions strangers jest now."

"Air the truce busted?" She put the question in a tense, deep-breathed whisper, and the boy replied casually, almost indifferently.

"No, Sally, hit hain't jest ter say busted, but 'pears like hit's right smart cracked. I reckon, though," he added in half-disgust, "nothin' won't come of hit."

Somewhat reassured, she bethought herself again of her mission.

"This here furriner hain't got no harm in him, Samson," she pleaded. "He 'pears ter be more like a gal than a man. He's real puny. He's got white skin and a bow of ribbon on his neck—an' he paints pictchers."

The boy's face had been hardening with contempt as the description advanced, but at the last words a glow came to his eyes, and he demanded almost breathlessly:

"Paints pictchers? How do ye know that?"

"I seen 'em. He was paintin' one when he fell offen the rock and busted his arm. It's shore es beautiful es—" she broke off, then added with a sudden peal of laughter—"es er pictcher."

The young man slipped down from the fence, and reached for the rifle. The hoe he left where it stood.

"I'll git the nag," he announced briefly, and swung off without further parley toward the curling spiral of smoke that marked a cabin a quarter of a mile below. Ten minutes later his bare feet swung against the ribs of a gray mule and his rifle lay balanced across the unsaddled withers. Sally sat mountain fashion behind him, facing straight to the side.

So they came along the creek bed and into the sight of the man who still sat propped against the mossy rock. As Lescott looked up he closed the case of his watch and put it back into his pocket with a smile.

"Snappy work, that!" he called out. "Just thirty-three minutes. I didn't believe it could be done."

Samson's face was masklike, but as he surveyed the foreigner, only the ingrained dictates of the country's hospitable code kept out of his eyes a gleam of scorn for this frail member of a sex which should be stalwart.

"Howdy?" he said. Then he added suspiciously: "What mout yer business be in these parts, stranger?"

Lescott gave the Odyssey of his wanderings, since he had rented a mule at Hixon and ridden through the country, sketching where the mood prompted and sleeping wherever he found a hospitable roof at the coming of the evening.

"Ye come from over on Cripplesshin?" The boy flashed the question with a sudden hardening of the voice, and, when he was affirmatively answered, his eyes contracted and bored searchingly into the stranger's face.

"Where'd ye put up last night?"

"Red Bill Holliman's house, at the mouth of Meeting House fork; do you know the place?"

Samson's reply was curt.

"I knows hit all right."

There was a moment's pause—rather an awkward pause. Lescott's mind began piecing together fragments of conversation he had heard, until he had assembled a sort of mental jigsaw puzzle.

The South-Holliman feud had been mentioned by the more talkative of his informers, and carefully tabooed by others—notable among them his host of last night. It now dawned on him that he was crossing the boundary and coming as the late guest of a Holliman to ask the hospitality of a South.

"I didn't know whose house jt was," he hastened to explain, "until I was benighted and asked for lodging. They were very kind to me. I'd never seen them before. I'm a stranger hereabouts."

Samson only nodded. If the explanation failed to satisfy him, it at least seemed to do so.

"I reckon ye'd better let me holp ye up on thet old mule," he said; "hit's a-comin' on ter be night."

With the mountaineer's aid, Lescott clambered astride the mount, then he turned dubiously.

"I'm sorry to trouble you," he ventured, "but I have a paint box and some materials up there. If you'll bring them down here, I'll show you how to pack the easel, and, by the way," he anxiously added, "please to handle that fresh canvas carefully—by the edge—it's not dry yet.

He had anticipated impatient contempt for his artist's impedimenta, but to his surprise the mountain boy climbed the rock and halted before the sketch with a face that slowly softened to an expression of amazed admiration. Finally he took up the square of academy board with a tender care of which his rough hands would have seemed incapable and stood stock still, presenting an anomalous figure in his rough clothes as his eyes grew almost idolatrous. Then he brought the landscape over to its creator, and, though no word was spoken, there flashed between the eyes of the artist, whose signature gave to a canvas the value of a precious stone, and the jeans-clad boy whose destiny was that of the vendetta, a subtle, wordless message. It was the countersign of brothers-in-blood who recognize in each other the bond of a mutual passion.

The boy and the girl, under Lescott's direction, packed the outfit and stored the canvas in the protecting top of the box. Then, while Sally turned and strode down creek in search of Lescott's lost mount, the two men rode upstream in silence. Finally Samson spoke slowly and diffidently.

"Stranger," he ventured, "ef hit hain't askin' too much, will ye let me see ye paint one of them things?"

"Gladly," was the prompt reply.

Then the boy added covertly:

"Don't say nothin' erbout hit ter none of these folks. They'd devil me."

The dusk was falling now, and the hollows choking with murk.

"We're nigh home now," said Samson at the end of some minutes' silent plodding. "Hit's right beyond thet thar bend."

Then they rounded a point of timber and came upon a small party of men whose attitudes even in the dimming light conveyed a subtle suggestion of portent.

"Thet you, Samson?" called an old man's voice, which was still very deep and powerful.

"Hello, Unc' Spencer!" replied the boy.

Then followed a silence unbroken until the mule reached the group, revealing that besides the boy another man—and a strange man—had joined their number.

"Evenin', stranger," they greeted him, gravely; then again they fell silent, and in their silence was evident constraint.

"This hyar man's a furriner," announced Samson, briefly. "He fell

Tamarack South.

offen a rock an' got hurt. I 'lowed I'd fotch him home ter stay all night."

The elderly man who had hailed the boy nodded, but with an evident annoyance. It seemed that to him the others deferred as to a commanding officer. The cortege remounted and rode slowly toward the house. At last the elderly man came alongside the mule and inquired:

"Samson, where was ye last night?"

"Thet's my business."

"Mebbe hit ain't." The old mountaineer spoke with no resentment, but deep gravity. "We've been powerful oneasy erbout ye. Hev ye heered the news?"

"What news?" The boy put the question noncommittally.

"Jesse Purvy was shot this morning."

The boy vouchsafed no reply.

"The mail rider done told hit. . . . Somebody shot five shoots from the laurel. . . . Purvey hain't died yit. . . . Some says as how his folks has sent ter Lexington fer bloodhounds."

The boy's eyes began to smolder hatefully.

"I reckon," he spoke slowly, "he didn't git shot none too soon."

"Samson!" The old man's voice had the ring of determined authority. "When I dies ye'll be the head of the Souths, but so long es I'm a-runnin' this hyar fam'ly I keeps my word ter friend an' foe alike. I reckon Jesse Purvy knows who got yore pap, but up till now no South hain't never busted no truce."

The boy's voice dropped its softness and took on a shrill crescendo of excitement as he flashed out his retort.

"Who said a South has done busted the truce this time?"

Old Spicer South gazed searchingly at his nephew.

(TO BE CONTINUED.)

Queerest Dance in the World.

The Godavari dance of the malayers, or drummers, of Malabar is a very popular function when the native farmers are taking their ease after the hard work of harvest. The principal character is a weird figure supposed to represent the sacred cow of the gods, Kamachenu. A small boy carries this about while the other performers, decked out in primitive fashion with painted bodies and hideous masks, go through a weird dance, accompanied by much drum beating and singing. Wherever it goes the cow is supposed to shower blessings and prosperity, and so, ostensibly to please the animal, but in reality to satisfy the dancers, presents of money, paddy or rice are given to the performers. This custom has been in existence from time immemorial and is likely to continue as long as agriculture endures among the Hindus of Malabar.—Wide World Magazine.

What Attracted Him.

A mother took her four-year-old son to a restaurant for his first luncheon outside of the nursery at home. He behaved with perfect propriety, and watched the elaborate service with keen interest. When the finger bowls were placed on the table, he noticed the square white mint on the plate at the side of the bowl, and exclaimed: "Oh, mother, look at the cunning little cakes of soap he brought us!"—Harper's Magazine.

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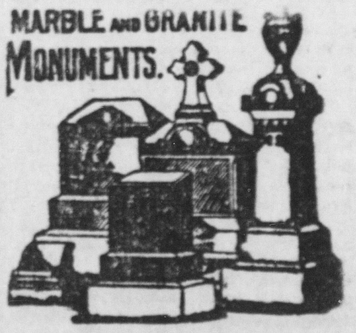
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CHURCH APPOINTMENTS.

Reformed—Tusseyville, morning; Centre Hall, afternoon.

Presbyterian—Centre Hall, morning; Spring Mills, afternoon.

Methodist—Centre Hall, morning; Spruce-town, afternoon; Spring Mills, evening. Fourth quarterly conference Thursday afternoon 1:30 o'clock, at Spring Mills.

LOCALS

Pilgrim brand evaporated milk.—C. P. Long & Co.

Congress opened for the short session on Monday.

Inexpensive Xmas presents.—C. P. Long & Co, Springs Mills.

Miss Gertie Floray will have on sale for Christmas a lot of fancy articles of her own make.

The "buy early" for Christmas ought to induce early advertising of Christmas goods.

Miss Carrie Meyers of Wilkes Barre visited at the home of Mrs. Elizabeth Jacobs, for a few days this week.

Merchant and Mrs. C. F. Emery attended the funeral of the former's step-mother, Mrs. Isaiah Emery, at Glen Iron, Wednesday.

Charles Coldron is in the 400 set when it comes to raising hogs. On Tuesday he butchered one which weighed 409 lbs.; another weighed 336.

The Altoona car shops received an order from the Pennsylvania Railroad Company for 1050 all-steel box cars to be turned out at the rate of 400 cars per month.

Mrs. J. C. Dale and sister, Miss Mollie Hoffer, on Wednesday went to State College where they will remain for the winter with the former's son, Dr. P. H. Dale.

The Sunday-school of the United Evangelical church realized thirty-five dollars from a sock social held Tuesday evening. Ice cream and cake were served on the occasion.

Mr. Phillips, one of the farmer's institute lecturers, is one of the highest authorities on poultry. He is not only a lecturer on this important subject, but a practical poultryman.

Mrs. Wm. Furey of Bellefonte stopped off for a few days this week at the home of her sister, Mrs. J. G. King, on her way home from Mt. Carmel, where she visited relatives.

Mrs. T. W. Simkins and Miss Savilla Rearick represented the local W. C. T. U. at a meeting of the executive committee of the county organization at Bellefonte, on Tuesday.

Local merchants have their stores in readiness for the early Christmas shoppers. With Christmas only two weeks away, the early shopping season is about at an end. Do it now!

Mrs. W. B. Mingle closed her home Wednesday and left for Philadelphia where she will spend the winter months with her daughter, Mrs. J. Emory Hoy, and son, W. Gross Mingle.

James Searson, one of Harris township's well known and respected citizens, is very seriously ill, there being little hope for his recovery. A little over three years ago he suffered a paralytic stroke, and never recovered from its effects.

While lighting a gasoline jet in one of the show windows in the Rossman store, Spring Mills, the decorations were ignited and in an instant the fire spread to all parts of the window. Quick action resulted in extinguishing the flames with scarcely any loss.

The result of the auto trip to Philadelphia and to the outlying farming country, made by George W. Potter and his sons last week, was that both sons—George F., and John—fell in love with that section of country about Phoenixville and will cast their lot there next spring. George F. Potter will move onto a sixty-acre farm and the younger brother will engage with Roland Keller who for a number of years has conducted a large farm there.

Among the Reporter's callers on Wednesday was Orie A. Jamison of Monroe, Wisconsin, who for a number of years has been in Southern Wisconsin, and is now engaged on a dairy farm. He is a brother of Mrs. Victor A. Auman, where he is visiting at present. He expects to return to Monroe again, but has set no time for his departure. Mr. Jamison is a well informed man on general topics, and particularly on the anti-Catholic movement.

Report of Third Month of School.

Primary Grade: Whole number pupils present, male 13, female 18, total 31. Per cent. of attendance, males 98, females 98. Those present every day during month are Ralph Emerick, George Lutz, Ralph Martz, John Meyer, Byers Ripka, Joseph Ruble, Franklin Runkle, Elizabeth Gross, Lottie Keller, Esther Martz, Grace McClenahan, Miriam Moore, Vivian Packer, Helen Runkle, May Smith, Kathryn Wagner, Mary Weaver, Mary Weber, Florence Zettle and Vianna Zettle. Those present every day during term are Ralph Emerick, John Meyer, Joseph Ruble, Franklin Runkle, Lottie Keller, Grace McClenahan, Vivian Packer, Kathryn Wagner, Mary Weaver, Mary Weber and Vianna Zettle.

Intermediate school: Number of male pupils 18, female 18, total 36. Average attendance, male 17; female 17; total 34. Average attendance for term to date, male 17; female 17; total 34. Per cent. of attendance during month, male 99; female 97; total 98. Per cent. of attendance during term till date, male 97; female 97; total 97. Pupils present every day during month: Isaiah Emery, Harold Keller, Fred Lucas, Howard Emery, Harold Breon, Albert Smith, Daniel Daup Newton Crawford, Wm. Sweetwood, Clyde Smith, Paul Fetterolf, Franklin Ruble, John Lutz, Miles Snyder, Albert Emery, Gertrude Ruble, Hazel Ripka, Luella Ruble, Beatrice Kreamer, Helen Lucas, Grace Miller, Marion McClenahan, Sara Snyder, Ethel Frank, Vivian Foss. Pupils present every day during term till date: Isaiah Emery, Harold Keller, Fred Lucas, Howard Emery, Hafold Breon, Albert Smith, Clyde Smith, Paul Fetterolf, Franklin Ruble, Miles Snyder, Albert Emery, Hazel Ripka, Luella Ruble, Beatrice Kreamer, Helen Lucas, Sara Snyder. Visitors during month: Dr. H. F. Bitner, H. G. Strohmeier, Prof. L O. Packer, D. K. Keller.

Grammar school: Whole number in attendance during month, male 10, female 16, total 26. Average number in attendance, male 9, female 15 Average number in attendance during term, male 9, female 15. Per cent. of attendance during month, male 92 female 94. Per cent. of attendance during term, male 94, female 95 Those not absent during month are Miriam Huyett, Frederick Moore, Ernest Frank, Gladys Jones, Reuben Zettle, Elizabeth Sweetwood, Pearl Ruble, Ruth Parsons, Catharine Ruble, Rebecca Kreamer. Not absent during term are: Frederick Moore, Miriam Huyett, Pearl Ruble, Reuben Zettle, Gladys Jones, Ruth Parsons.

High School: Percentage of attendance, boys 83, girls 95. Those who have been present every day during month are Mary Dinges, Grace Ishler, May Royer, Marion Royer and Lillian Emery. Those who have been present every day during term are Mary Dinges and Lillian Emery. Visitors during the month were Directors H. G. Strohmeier and H. F. Bitner; Messrs. David K. Keller, Prof. L. O Packer, Bruce Davis, Carl Zeigler and Raymond Miller; Misses Estella and Ethel Raymond. More than forty volumes have been added to the school library this year and we hope to be able to report the addition of a still larger number by the first of next year.

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"Welfare Week" Proving Beneficial.

Centre Hall is enjoying a feast of good things for the intellectual as well as the physical being during this week, which is being conducted by Chaplain Charles E. Varney and his wife, Rev Mecca Marie Varney, under the the title of "Welfare Week." Despite the unfavorable weather conditions the attendance on each occasion has been good, the Varneys maintaining an "open door" policy, taking as pay for their work the plate collections which are lifted at each meeting. The afternoon sessions are especially designed for women and girls, and an hour devoted to physical culture training under the direction of Mrs. Varney. Chaplain Varney's evening lectures are inspiring and furnish food for thought. He is equal, in power of speech, to the best lyceum lecturers who have appeared in the several lecture courses in this town. Mrs. Varney is an accomplished woman and is an ordained minister, being pastor of the Christian church. Her part in the welfare work is a highly important one, and mothers would do well to bring their children to the afternoon sessions and learn from her instructions things which have to do with the physical welfare of their little ones. The meetings have for their aim pleasure and purpose and so far have succeeded in fulfilling that mission. The week ends Sunday evening with a sermon lecture by Mrs. Varney. As every meeting is full of interest and every lecture in a way relates to the preceding one, the greatest amount of good will be derived by attending them all.

Harold Pellman Glover, a well known and prominent attorney of Mifflinburg, died last week, aged within a few days of sixty-two years.

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CENTRE OAK

Butchering is nearly done in this section; now the farmers are trying to do justice to the sausage and "ponhoss."

Some plowing has been done around here but at present it looks like winter. More rain is needed before winter sets in as the water is low some places.

The scribe and family enjoyed a grand treat of venison from Maynard Meeker and sons Lawrence and Bruce.

Lawrence Meeker has gone to Phoenixville to spend the winter.

Cyrus Stover of Kensal, North Dakota, spent a few days at the Frankenberger home. Always glad to have our good friends with us. Mr. Stover has learned the barber trade in the Victor Barber College of Minneapolis, Minnesota.

Miss Della Spayd has returned home from State College where she spent the last few weeks with friends.

Mrs. Erma Wise has spent the last few weeks at Madisonburg taking care of her husband, Mr. Wise being on the sick list.

Miss Grace Long spent Sunday at home with her parents.

Mr. and Mrs. R. P. Campbell and son William have returned from a few weeks visit with Mrs. Campbell's parents.

Gross Shook and Miss Cora Corman spent Sunday with W. F. Rishel.

The birthday party for James Scholl was well attended on Saturday evening.

Walter Hosterman spent Sunday with his parents and on Monday he helped them butcher.

Miss Blanche Hagan spent some time last week with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. John L. Hagan.

James P. Grove spent several weeks with his daughter, Mrs. Frank Albright, near State College.

The Ladies' Aid Society of the M. E. church desire to extend their sincere thanks for the liberal patronage given the bazaar, and to all who contributed toward it.

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Aaronsburg.

Gillard Eisenhaur, who had been employed at Sandusky, Ohio, for the past few months, returned to his family at this place.

Mr. and Mrs. John Hains attended the funeral of Mrs. Hains' sister, Mrs Corman, at Reberaburg, on Tuesday.

Miss Ruth Stover returned to her home after an absence of a few months with friends at State College.

John Detwiler of Centre Hall was seen at the home of Warren Winkleblech one day last week.

The Reformed Sunday-school will hold a Christmas service on Christmas eve.

Mr. Otto and family of Allentown have come to spend a few months at this place.

Mrs. Catharine Phillips returned home from a pleasant visit with her sisters and brother in Snyder county.

Dr. John Bowersox of York was up to assist his father to butcher. He has many friends here who are always glad to see him come to this his former home.

Mr. Sleagel, an optician, of State College was seen at the home of Perry Adams one day last week.

Mrs. Thomas Hull has been on the sick list for the past few weeks; her many friends wish her a speedy recovery.

Mrs. Emma Beaver of Millheim spent a day with Mrs. Emma Hess.

Rev. Dr. Wolfe, a returned missionary from China, preached a very interesting sermon in the Lutheran church, Sunday forenoon.

Georges Valley.

From last week.

The rain was welcomed by everybody, especially those who were scarce of water.

Those who spent Sunday at the home of S. E. Gobble were Mr. and Mrs. J. W. Gobble and daughter, Miss Mary, and Mr. and Mrs. H. A. Haugh.

Mrs. W. F. McClellan and children Warren and Ruth of Spring Mills visited Mrs. James Faust on Sunday.

Mrs. Susan Davis is spending a few days in Poe Valley with her daughter, Mrs. Morris Lingle.

Mr. and Mrs. Samuel Lingle are in Poe Valley this week helping the people of that valley to butcher.

The stork visited the home of J. A. Auman last Friday and left them a baby girl and now John is treating everybody with cigars.

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Afer we considerd the matter, we decided to place all these goods on sale and cut the price on same to HALF, just to be a benefit to our customers, and we hope they all will take full advantage of it.

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DECEMBER COURT.

Business of the Court of Trivial Nature-Three Civil Cases Disposed of—Commonwealth Cases Now Being Heard.

The business before the December term of court, both that acted upon and that yet on the docket for the first week, is of a comparatively trifling character, especially to the general public. The grand jury, of which J. S. Meyer of Penn township is the foreman, is working as the Reporter goes to press on Wednesday afternoon. A number of cases have been acted upon and reported out, some of which have been disposed of by the court. The commonwealth cases were mostly of a kind that might have been settled out of court and consisted of assault and battery and jumping board bill cases.

The case of the commonwealth vs. Homer Decker was settled. In this case the Moose Lodge, Bellefonte, is interested.

Three civil cases were tried the beginning of the week. The National Engraving Company vs. Thad. Hamilton lost its case before a jury, as did also Al. Grove, who sued John D. Reish, a former tenant on the Grove farm, for value of hay removed.

Archie Conley vs. Centre Lumber Company resulted in a verdict for Conley in the sum of $100. The case involved the price of a lath mill sold by Conley to the defendants.

Seven Inches of Snow.

Fully seven inches of snow fell during Monday, Tuesday and Wednesday. Every tree and shrub was loaded to its full capacity with the beautiful, as were also telephone wires, and every other object upon which the snow could lodge. The individual tree and shrub, the mountain as a whole and the rickety fence alike presented a beautiful spectacle. The beautiful was piled onto tiny branches to the depth of from one to three inches, and caused them to sway with the breeze and many to break. Whole tree tops bent over, some of them to the earth, and finally yielded to the burden they were unable to bear. Beautiful snow, certainly beautiful, but sometimes also very destructive.

Marriage Licenses.

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Rose H. Stevenson, Philipsburg

Chester A. Bechtol, Pine Glenn
Jerusia C. Daugherty, Pine Glenn

W. E. Bolton, Philipsburg
Bertha Macklin, Philipsburg

Wm. H. Wright, Greensburg
Opal Jean Miller, Smullton

Jesse Long, State College
Caroline Mussleman, State College

Willis H. Wyland, Bellefonte
Elizabeth I. Clark, Bellefonte

PENN HALL.

Mr. and Mrs. Harry Meyer and children of Bellefonte were over to help their parents Mr. and Mrs. James Condo, and Mr. and Mrs. Jacob Meyer, to butcher.

Cora Osman, who teaches school at Green Grove, had to close her school last week as nearly all the scholars had the measels.

Gladys Hettinger, the three-year-old daughter of Herbert Hettinger who scalded herself recently, is getting very little better, and to add to the affliction she now has the measles.

George Shook and Irma made a trip on Friday to Andrew Beahm's home below Coburn.

Mrs. Warren Stover visited at the home of her brother, George Corman, near Rebersburg on Friday.

Spring Mills.

H. M. Allison is attending court this week in Bellefonte as a juror.

Frank Knecht and family of Bellefonte spent Saturday with T. M. Gramley and family.

Mr. and Mrs. Daniel Corman went to Meadville, Crawford county, on Monday to attend State Grange.

Burchard Musser of Altoona spent Sunday with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. R. D. Musser.

Mr. and Mrs. Austin Long were to Rebersburg on Tuesday to attend the funeral of Mrs. Long's aunt, Mrs. George Corman.

The farm of the late Catharine C. Shook was bought by Andrew Shook for $4150.

Brush Valley.

The rain that fell on Sunday and Monday ought to supply water to all in this community.

Paul Wert, who had been working at Maple Park, Illinois, has returned home to spend the winter.

Mrs. Domer Orndorf, who lives at Jersey Shore, is spending several weeks at the home of J. C. Orndorf.

Rev. J. F. Bingman is holding protracted meetings at Madisonburg.

Miss Tevola Keller spent Sunday at Penn Hall under the parental roof.

Lloyd Miller autoed to the home of Mrs. Robert Bartges on Sunday.

While Uriah Shaffer and family were eating supper, on the day he butchered, someone stole about half the sausages made that day.

Long's for blankets.

Dishes and toys.—C. P. Long & Co.

DEATHS.

Charles Bierly, a Civil war veteran, answered the call of the Great Commander and departed this life, Tuesday afternoon at his home in Rebersburg, after a lingering illness. A gunshot wound received in the battle of Gettysburg on July 2, 1863, caused him much suffering at times and it was this that brought about an illness which culminated in his death.

Mr. Bierly was twice married, his first wife being Miss Amelia Snook of Brush Valley. To them four children were born, two of whom are living, namely, Charles and Wallace, both of Smullton. After the death of his first wife he married Miss Mary Moyer of Haines township. To this union two children were born, namely, Mrs. Forest Ocker of Rebersburg, and Lowell Bierly, who farms the Bierly farm a short distance west of Rebersburg. One sister, Mrs. William Brungart, of Salona also survives. He was seventy-four years and eight months of age and at the outbreak of the War of the Rebellion was mustered into service as a member of Co. G, 148th Regiment. After the suspension of hostilities he took up the occupation of farming which he continued until his failing health intervened.

Mrs. George A. Corman died at her home two miles east of Rebersburg, Friday, after a lingering illness of several months, at the age of thirty-eight years. Funeral services were held Tuesday in the Reformed church, of which she was a member, and interment followed in the Union cemetery, Rev. A. G. Stauffer officiating. The husband and six children survive, namely, Charles, Sarah, Alma, Mary, Gladys, and James, all at home. Three brothers and three sisters also survive, as follows: Allen Hosterman, Millheim; John Hosterman, editor of the Millheim Journal; George Hosterman, Mrs. William Corman, Texas; Mrs. Haines, Aaronsburg; Mrs. Cole, Plymouth.

Mrs. Isaiah Emery, step-mother of Merchant C. F. Emery of Centre Hall, died at the home of her son, Frank Emery, in Harrisburg, Sunday, of asthma. She was aged fifty-six years. Funeral services were held Wednesday at Glen Iron, her former home, and interment made there. Two children and seven step-children survive her.

BOALSBURG.

We are having changeable weather; rain, sleet, snow and ice.

Miss Sallie Keller and her niece, Miss Ella Rhone, departed from Boalsburg on Monday for Wilmington, Delaware. Miss Rhone expects to spend the winter there with Rev. and Mrs. G. C. Hall, and Miss Keller will be at home with her brother, Judge B. F. Keller at Charleston, West Virginia.

Mr. and Mrs. P. H. Meyer, with their granddaughter, Dorothy Odenkirk, of Centre Hall spent Friday at Boalsburg.

Mrs. Andrew Kuhn with her grandson, Randal Myers, of Axemann visited at Boalsburg last week.

C. U. Wieland and George E. Meyer spent a few days at the Mountain City.

The Boy Scouts had some literary exercises in Boal hall on Saturday evening.

A number of students from State College will hold a temperance meeting in the Reformed church on Sunday evening at 7:30; the program will be composed of addresses and music.

Frank McFarlane lost a good horse; he was ailing on Sunday and received attention but on Monday morning he was found dead.

The Sunday-schools are preparing for the Christmas entertainments.

Our merchants have their rooms tastefully arrayed in holiday attire.

Rev. J. I. Stonecypher, E. W. Sweeney and C. A. Isenberg are attending court as jurors.

Miss Leona Wieland is spending a few weeks of the Advent season with friends at Pennsylvania Furnace.

An anniversary birthday celebration was given in honor of John Kuhn, on Monday, at his home near Boalsburg. His years now number four score and two. He enjoys good health. Those who were present were his son Charles and family; his daughter, Mrs. Sara E Weber, and husband; his brother, Alexander Kuhn; E. M. Kuhn and family, and Mrs. Ellen Shuey.

At a meeting of Tussey Rebekah Lodge No. 66, Wednesday evening of last week, the following officers were installed by District Deputy Mrs. Elizabeth Hazel of Bellefonte: N. G., Miss Mabel Myers; V. G., Mrs. Margaret Kuhn; Secretary, Mrs. Ella Rothrock; Treasurer, Mrs. Sadie Kuhn; Chaplain, Mrs. Ella Ishler; Warden, Mrs. Valera Ishler; Right Supporter to N. G., D. W. Myers; Left Supporter to N. G., Miss Hazel Lucas; Conductor, Miss Isabel Miller; Right Supporter to V. G., Miss Olive Way; Left Supporter to V. G., Mrs. Emma Fisher; Right Altar Bearer, Mrs. Catharine Mothersbaugh; Left Altar Bearer, Mrs. Sara Etters; Inside Guardian, Mrs. Maude Williams; Outside Guardian, Mrs. Ella Barr; Pianist, Miss Anna Dale. Several members of Crystal Spring Lodge were present. Refreshments were served.

Farmers Mills.

The home of Mr. and Mrs. James Scholl was the scene of a birthday party, Saturday night, the occasion being the fifty-fifth anniversary of Mr. Scholl's natal day. The evening was pleasantly spent in social intercourse and at the proper hour refreshments were served in abundance. Those present were: Mrs. M. Meeker and children Maude and Robert, Mr. and Mrs. H. M. Schreckengast and son Martin, Mr. and Mrs. W. F. Rishel and children Helen, Sara, Robert, John, Catharine, Beaber, Mr. and Mrs. W. H. Breon, Ralph Hagen, Mr. and Mrs. Wesley Foreman and daughters Mary and Sara, Mr. and Mrs. Samuel Frederick and daughter Rosie, Verna Hagan, Arch, Merrill and Nathaniel Brown, Jerome Brown, Mr. and Mrs. J. Confer and son Russel, George Long, Mr. and Mrs. H. E. Schreckengast and children Ruth, Margaret, Earl, and Paul, Mr. and Mrs. A. F. Rote, Emanuel White, Ezra Harter, Miss Annie Weaver, Mrs. Rebecca Scholl, Mrs. Samuel Kreamer, George Scholl, Mr. McClean, Howard Homan, Mr. and Mrs. Thomas Scholl and children Katie, Annie, Mr. and Mrs. Elmer Confer and son William.

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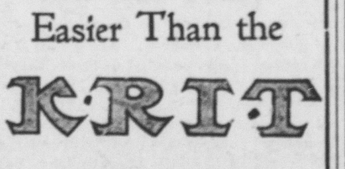

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ADMINISTRATRIX'S NOTICE.—

Letters of administration on the estate of Robert B. Bartges, late of Gregg Township, deceased.

Letters of administration on the above estate having been duly granted to the undersigned, she would respectfully request all persons knowing themselves indebted to the estate to make immediate payment, and those having claims against the same to present them duly authenticated for settlement.

JOANNA M BARTGES, Administratrix,
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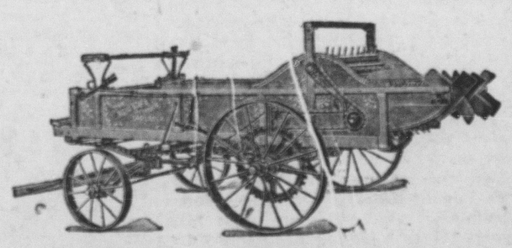

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$457,740 DAMAGE IN FOREST FIRES

Nearly Quarter Million Acres Burned to November 26.

10,496 ACRES STATE LANDS

State Conscience Fund Enriched By $299 In 1914—Postmistress' Bedroom Proof Against Robbers. Plague Quarantine.

Harrisburg.—Almost a quarter million of acres of woodland in Pennsylvania were swept by forest fires between January 1 and November 26, according to a compilation by the State Department of Forestry. The estimated damage was $457,740.80 and it cost in round numbers something like $16,000 to extinguish the fires. Additional reports are expected to swell the acreage and the loss.

Of the acreage burned over, 10,496 were State land, the greatest damage being in Pike county, where the greatest damage was also done to privately owned land. Carbon county was next.

Between January 1, and July the acreage burned was 72,327, of which 4,567 was on State land and the loss was $131,949, while in the second half of the year there were 169,159 acres burned, of which 5,929 acres were on State land and the loss was $325,791.80, the cost to extinguish being $14,658.75. The damage in the second half was far greater.

The acreage and loss by counties is as follows:

County—Private.	Acre.	State.	Loss.
Bedford	3,258	.....	$6,636.80
Blair	5,471	.....	10,710.00
Berks	4,155	.....	21,473.00
Bradford	88	.....	1,249.00
Cambria	12,227	.....	8,819.00
Carbon	957	.....	2,367.00
Centre	13,352	311	19,024.00
Clarion	19	.....	19.00
Clearfield	1,342	200	7,386.00
Clinton	2,589	762	6,461.00
Cumberland	7,410	300	57,350.00
Dauphin	5,690	.....	10,995.00
Erie	160	.....	670.00
Fayette	7,314	.....	29,905.00
Franklin	3,563	624	16,315.00
Fulton	4,861	10	3,110.00
Huntingdon	8,766	400	16,775.00
Indiana	453	.....	2,295.00
Jefferson	66	.....	300.00
Juniata	665	.....	585.00
Lackawanna	600	6	384.50
Lebanon	412	.....	516.00
Luzerne	5,345	.....	7,287.50
Lycoming	3,901	250	5,831.00
McKean	35	.....	106.00
Mifflin	2,376	.....	3,995.00
Monroe	4,911	.....	6,830.00
Northampton	135	.....	570.00
Northumberland	4,000	.....	6,000.00
Perry	1,774	100	2,425.00
Pike	31,666	2,600	37,000.00
Potter	2	15	102.00
Schuylkill	640	.....	700.00
Snyder	25	175	200.00
Somerset	5,804	33	10,608.00
Sullivan	95	.....	95.00
Tioga	12	56	150.00
Union	28	80	76.00
Wayne	649	.....	1,538.00
Westmoreland	9,840	13	12,694.00
York	2,423	.....	3,453.00

State College Course.

More than 200 farmers and their wives who can't find time to spend four years in college are at State College to remain for twelve weeks as students in the winter courses in agriculture. They are known as short-course students, and will receive instruction in practical agriculture and creamery work. Many of the farmers enrolled this year are returning for the third time. One of the new features is the course in home economics, conducted by Miss Pearl MacDonald. Subjects of special interest to the farmers' wives will be discussed. Much interest has been shown in the course in home nursing and emergencies. Miss MacDonald will help her classes, some containing students more than fifty years old, to solve the increasingly difficult problems of household administration.

State Conscience Fund.

Pennsylvania's conscience hurt $231.00 less during the fiscal year of 1914 than during the year before. The receipts of the Auditor General's department for the year show that amount came in through the conscience fund, which is the fund into which undesignated and anonymous items are consigned. Last year $531.10 was paid in through the conscience fund.

New Plague Quarantine.

Officials of the State Live Stock Sanitary Board stated that there might be a reduction of the number of counties in quarantine for foot and mouth disease in the next fortnight. The new quarantine affecting forty-one counties became effective Wednesday. Word was received that Virginia had established a quarantine for the disease.

During the night the postoffice at Morgantown, located in the office of Dr. J. A. Zook, was broken into by thieves and two watches and several small articles belonging to the doctor were stolen. Mrs. Margaret J. Deichler, postmistress, saved the cash and stamps by keeping them locked in her bed-room.

CLAIM STATE LAW VIOLATES TREATY

Italy Joins Great Britain in Protest to United States.

ARIZONA IS THE OFFENDER

Ambassador Cellere, Of Italy, Closely Follows the British Ambassador in Officially Notifying the Government.

Washington, D. C.—Italy joined Great Britain in her protest against the Arizona State law which the nations claim violates treaties in the respect that it discriminates against their subjects in the United States.

The protest of the Italian government was filed by Count Macchi Cellere, its ambassador. Soon thereafter Secretary Bryan went to the White House and had a long conference with President Wilson. On the return of Secretary Bryan to the State Department he found awaiting him Baron Chinda, the Japanese Ambassador.

Secretary Bryan refused to discuss either the conference at the White House or his conference with the Japanese Ambasador. All of the State Department officials are now maintaining a similar silence on this important issue. The Japanese Ambassador on leaving the State Department would say only that there were "subjects of Japan in America," but would not admit that any new protest against that State's discriminatory law had been made by Japan.

May Cause Trouble.

Most of the officials believe that the present situation created by Japan, her ally, Great Britain, and Italy has in it all of the elements of a grave trouble if the protests are pressed to the point of getting an early answer from the United States. What the nations are endeavoring to get from the United States is a declaration as to how far the Federal government is responsible for the acts of Arizona.

The attitude of Italy was explained to be similar to that which she maintained in the celebrated Italian lynching cases. That became so acute at one time that State Department officials regarded it as almost imperative that a statute should be passed whereby the Federal government should assume responsibility which it could not then or now do without interfering with the rights of the State. Italy at that time, through Baron Fava, then minister to the United States, took the ground that, as she could not deal directly with a State of the Union, she would hold the Federal Government responsible in the lynching cases.

It is hinted very broadly that England, Japan and Italy are now taking that same ground and that the United States is expected to make final answer. What the response will be cannot even be foreshadowed today. The issue is the same as that involved in the protest of Japan to the United States in the California alien land law matter.

MIXUP IN KEPLER'S MIDST.

General Electric Employe, Of Schenectady Astounds Doctor.

Schenectady, N. Y.—Frank Kepler, an employe of the General Electric Company, went to a doctor's to have a couple of fractured ribs treated, and this is what he learned:

That his heart is on the right side instead of the left, that his liver is on the left side instead of his right, and that all the rest of his vital organs are mixed up as though someone had stirred him up with a porridge spoon.

The doctor got so interested in his endeavors to ascertain the extent of Mr. Kepler's disorganization through the X-rays that he almost forgot to treat his ribs. Such cases are very rare.

Kepler is 36 years old and always has had good health despite his curious internal arrangements.

ITALY IS NOW READY.

One Word More Would Probably Have Meant War.

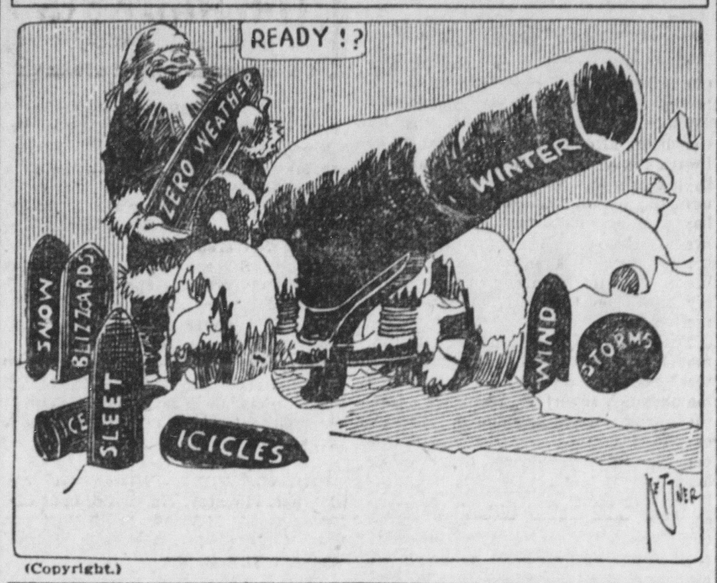
Rome.—Many members of Parliament consider that the statement of Premier Salandra in Parliament, in which he advised that Italy maintain her attitude of watchful and armed neutrality, and made a reference to what he termed the just aspirations of Italy, together with a demonstration by the members, means that Italy is now ready. Deputy Labriola, a prominent member, summarized his opinion of the sitting by saying that "one word more from Salandra would have meant a declaration of war."

WOMAN FIGHTS BANK ROBBERS.

Knocked Down With Iron Pipe, But Saves Large Sum.

Cincinnati.—Resistance by the woman bookkeeper of the Winton Place Savings Bank, a State institution, probably saved the bank from being robbed of a large sum of money here. Gertrude Balz, the bookkeeper, was alone in the office of the bank when two men entered, and without a word one of them knocked her down with an iron pipe. She rose and attacked the men, who, becoming frightened, grabbed some money lying on a desk and escaped.

TIME TO DIG YOURSELVES IN



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BRINGS TRADE TO UNITED STATES

How the European War is Giving Boost to Business.

MANY LARGE ORDERS GIVEN

E. E. Pratt, Chief Of Foreign Commerce Bureau, Estimates Volume Of Business Coming Here Due To the War.

Washington, D. C.—That one year of the war in Europe will add $500,000,000 to the foreign commerce of the United States is the estimate of Edward E. Pratt, chief of the Bureau of Foreign and Domestic Commerce. Mr. Pratt has just completed a study of the reports of the American consuls and commercial representatives abroad, of agents and of his bureau in this country and of the new orders for American manufactures and products reported in commercial periodicals.

If the ratio of increase recorded since August, when the war began, is maintained until next August he estimates that new orders placed on the books of American firms will total half a billion dollars.

As specific data upon which to base his estimates Mr. Pratt has the report of J. Massel, special commercial agent, now en route to South America to study the machine tool market there and prepare a review of the needs of South American countries, which will be made available to American manufacturers. In preparation for his trip he visited virtually every large manufacturing plant in the United States and estimated that the machine tool manufacturing companies alone have from $10,000,000 to $15,000,000 in new orders from European countries now on their books. One big plant, he said, has enough work ahead of it to keep it in full operation 24 hours a day for the next two years. Several concerns already are preparing to increase their facilities to meet the larger demands arising from the war.

The first country among the belligerents to seek the American machine tool supply was Russia. Almost immediately after war was declared orders from Russian houses were received for lathes and machines of all kinds of a similar nature. That demand has been growing steadily, presumably because of the fact that the war had excluded Russia from her usual source of supply in Germany. England and France now have joined in seeking American tools and it is indicated that the present supply cannot meet the demands. Of course, problems of delivery still have to be met; but the business is of the most valuable type, since orders are as a rule accompanied by cash.

In reaching his estimate on the estimated grand total Mr. Pratt took into consideration the enormous increase in European-bound food supplies noted in September and October. Details of the November foreign commerce are not available as yet beyond the estimate that a trade balance in favor of the United States of approximately $70,000,000 will be shown. Department officials are aware, however, that the increase in food shipments has continued and that manufactured articles are beginning to move across the Atlantic in considerable volume.

P. C. KNOX THAW ATTORNEY.

Files Brief Against Extradition To New York.

Washington, D. C.—Philander C. Knox, former Secretary of State, appeared in the Supreme Court as an attorney for Harry K. Thaw by filing a brief in behalf of the defendant, in opposition to the State of New York's proposal to extradite Thaw from New Hampshire. Mr. Knox contends that Thaw has been adjudged insane by the New York courts and not responsible for the killing of Stanford White; and that it is a fundamental principle of law that extradition proceedings may not be used for any other purpose than to return a fugitive criminal to trial.

UNCLE SAM WILL PROFIT BY WAR

Half Billion Dollars in Trade in a Year.

MACHINE TOOL MAKERS BUSY

Italians Now Also Coming To America For Horses—All the Warring Nations Must Look To This Country For Mounts.

New York.—The Russian government has purchased here 50,000 55-gallon air-tight steel tanks at a cost of approximately $250,000, to be used in constructing pontoon bridges in their military operations, according to a statement issued this afternoon by the manufacturers.

The first shipment is to go forward Saturday, it was said. The entire lot, under the terms of the contract, must be shipped not later than January 15.

Three Italian cavalry officers arrived on the Italian liner Regina D'Italia. They said they came to purchase 12,000 cavalry horses, and added that within the past week the United States had been called upon to furnish 60,000 horses for military purposes to the warring nations.

"We formerly bought our horses in Ireland," said one of the officers. "It is impossible to get them there now, as Great Britain has taken every available horse. I believe it will not be long before they will be buying from the United States.

"The United States is practically the only country which can be relied upon to supply horses. A vast quantity of other supplies must come from here as well."

Kansas City, Mo.—A consignment of 2,000 heavy flannel shirts and 7,000 bandages, all made by Kansas City society women, was shipped from here for the war sufferers in Europe. A Kansas City wholesale dry goods firm packed the goods and railroads are carrying its freight free to New York.

Chicago. — Purchasing agents of England and Russia closed contracts here for automobile trucks and tools amounting to $2,500,000, it was announced today. Three hundred trucks, 200 three-ton and one hundred five-ton, were ordered for each country. Buyers representing the British government received a cablegram ordering several thousand shovels, buckets, picks and other trench-digging tools.

Omaha, Neb.—A shipment of 1,144 horses, intended for the French army, left here for Jersey City. An order was given for 10,000 more, to be delivered after December 21.

THIEVES SHOOT DETECTIVE.

Wound Chief Scherer, Of the C. & O. Secret Service.

Richmond, Va.—Luther L. Scherer, chief of Chesapeake and Ohio secret service, was shot near Clifton Forge. Scherer, with several men, was trying to round up a gang of thieves which have been terrorizing the road for months. Walking from Covington to Clifton Forge, the detectives were overtaken by a train. The thieves had gotten wind of the men having started to walk to Clifton Forge. Concealed on the train they saw the officers alongside the track and opened fire. Scherer was the only man struck. He was rushed to the hospital at Clifton Forge and placed under care of Surgeon Wysor.

TOO MANY OFFICERS.

And Not Enough Men In Militia, Commander Says.

Washington, D. C.—Too many officers and not enough men—that's what is the matter with the United States Naval Militia, Commander F. B. Bassett, Jr., head of this division of the Navy, stated in his annual report, just made public. Bassett would weed out some of the officers or cut off their titles to improve the militia.

SAYS OUR NAVY IS IN FINE SHAPE

Secretary of Navy Daniels Replies to Criticisms.

QUESTION OF PREPAREDNESS

The Secretary Of the Navy Makes Specific Replies To Questions Raised By Senator Lodge and Representative Gardner.

Washington, D. C.—The administration has abandoned its policy of silence with regard to the assertions of our national unpreparedness made by Senator Lodge and Representative Gardner. Secretary of the Navy Daniels issued two statements, one in answer to the interview given by Senator Lodge and the other in reply to statements made by Representative Gardner in his speech in New York. In these statements Secretary Daniels makes specific answers to the questions raised by Senator Lodge and Mr. Gardner.

In his statement answering Senator Lodge, Mr. Daniels says:

"Senator Lodge was quoted as saying, 'I know myself that we are short of scout cruisers, having only three.' Senator Lodge has been a member of the Naval Affairs Committee of the Senate for many years and if he knows, as he says, what we have, why does he want an inquiry? Congress determines what the Navy shall have. If Congress will appropriate for more ships, the Navy certainly will build them. I think he ought to read the bureau reports which are always open to the public, the reports for the present year having been available—most of them—for the past week.

Have Many Submarines.

"Senator Lodge also states as: 'We are insufficiently supplied with aeroplanes and hydroplanes which are so essential to modern warfare.' In my report last year and in my forthcoming report, which will be released for publication on December 12th, I have ardently advocated the fullest development of this branch of our service.

"In regard to submarines, Senator Lodge states that there are not enough in proportion to our fleet; but the fact is we have a larger number of submarines in proportion to our battle fleet than any nation excepting France. Senator Lodge is mistaken in his belief that many of them would be practically useless. Of course, those ordered years ago do not fully come up to those constructed according to present-day plans. I am having one of the latest authorized submarines constructed in the Portsmouth (N. H.) Navy Yard, and the department is providing for the newest ships the best batteries that can be had. I have been particularly interested in the submarines, and last year, upon my recommendation, Congress appropriated for a larger number of submarines than they had ever appropriated for in a single year, and authorized a distinct departure and advance by providing that one of these ships shall be of the sea-going type—the first that any nation of the world will possess.

GUTIERREZ IN CAPITAL.

Villa Also In Mexico City—Sends Chiefs To Zapata.

Washington, D. C. — Provisional President Gutierrez and General Villa are in Mexico City and several of their military chiefs have gone to Cuernavaca to discuss with General Zapata and his officers the distribution of forces in the capital and vicinity.

This was reported in official dispatches to the State Department, which stated that conditions in Mexico City were quiet.

"Zapatistas, very meagerly clad, some being barefooted, patrol the city," said an announcement from the State Department summarizing the latest official message. "The army of the north is encamped in the suburbs. No further molestation of foreigners has occurred and fair order is being maintained. Thus far there has been no friction."

LAST PHILADELPHIA HANGING.

Abel Sent To Death For Murder In Moyamensing.

Philadelphia.—Famous old Moyamensing prison in this city, in which scores of murderers went to their doom, was the scene Thursday of the last hanging that will take place in Philadelphia, as, under a new law, electrocution was substituted as the death penalty. William Abel, 38 years old, who was sentenced before the time fixed for the law to go into effect, was the last to be hanged. He shot and killed twelve-year-old Thomas Kane, who resisted an attack. Hereafter all convicted murderers will be sent to a new penitentiary at Bellefonte, Pa., where electrocution will take place.

THIRD NEGRO LYNCHED.

Mobs In Louisiana Aroused By Murder Of Postmaster.

Shreveport, La.—Kane McKnight, a negro, was lynched at Sylvester, La., the third negro to be hanged by the mobs aroused by the murder of Postmaster Charles M. Hicks, of Sylvester.

THE NEWS TOLD IN PARAGRAPHS

Latest Happenings Gleaned From All Over the State.

LIVE NOTES AND COMMENTS.

Fire Destroys Big Herd Of High-Bred Animals—Berks County Society Wins Civil War Claims—Boy Fractures Skull.

Judge J. Q. Vanswearingen, in a decision handed down at Uniontown, declared that the section of State mining law requiring the maintenance of bore holes for the protection of miners against explosions, is lawful and must be observed. P. J. Walsh, inspector of the Ninth Bituminous District, instituted suit against a mine foreman of the W. J. Rainey Company for not maintaining bore holes. The defendant claimed the holes were of no practical value in preventing explosions. J. E. B. Cunningham, Deputy Attorney general, aided in the prosecution.

The mysterious death of John Miller, a Hazleton whiskey agent, whose body was found on the mountains near Ashland three years ago, was solved when George Smith, of Girardville, who is dying in the State Hospital at Fountain Springs, declared that Miller, while a guest at Girardville, was murdered by William Ahrens, proprietor of the hotel at which he stayed. Ahrens has since died. Smith in his dying statement declared that Miller's body was carried to the hillside to divert suspicion after the murder.

Officials of the Agricultural and Horticultural Association of Berks county were notified that the United States Court of Claims has awarded the society the sum of $632.10 for the use of and damage to the fair grounds and buildings by the United States military forces during the Civil War. The U. S. Army occupied the grounds from 1861 to 1863.

Seventy-five head of stock, valued at nearly four thousand dollars, were killed on the farm of Senator J. Donald Cameron, at Donegal, the slaughtering having been done by three inspectors. One of the latter came near losing his life when a bullet intended for a steer struck a bone and glancing off grazed the inspector's head.

Trying to stop a moving belt at the Flory flour mill, Nazareth, as a test of his strength, almost proved fatal to Paul Yotter. The young man, boasting of his strength to companions, grabbed hold of a belt attached to a line shaft and the next minute was flying through the air. He managed to land clear of a post, but in the fall broke an arm.

Declaring that while he was at work his wife placed their baby in care of a neighbor, packed her clothing and went away, Daniel Muckel, of Mohnton, started divorce proceedings in court at Reading, against Cora Muckel, of Wyomissing, a suburb of Reading. The alleged desertion took place December 1, 1909.

Despondent because his communication with relatives in the Prussian war zone had been cut off, Michael Heller, of Pottsville, aged seventy-two years, a retired cooper, committed suicide by shooting himself in the head, while his daughter, Mrs. Charles Klusch, and her husband, a local druggist, were about to sit down to dinner.

John Novick, a young miner at Kulpmont, was found near his home with his head crushed by a blunt instrument. A butcher shop close to Novick's house had been entered by burglars shortly before Novick was found, and it is thought they attacked him as they left.

While driving his automobile along the highway near St. Clair, Jefferson Crow, a prominent contractor, struck and killed Charles Pavela, who became bewildered and stepped in the way of the machine. Witnesses of the accident exonerate Crow from blame.

William A. Isenberg, aged seventy-six, and his sister, Miss Saloma Isenberg, aged eighty, were suffocated by coal gas at their home at Port Royal. Three other members of the family had narrow escapes.

A herd of twenty-two cattle and twenty hogs belonging to John S. Swoyer, of Swoyer's Crossing, near Reading, were killed by the State inspectors on account of the hoof and mouth disease.

Herbert Herbine, seven-year-old son of Edwin Herbine, is in a dying condition in St. Joseph's Hospital, Reading, from a fractured skull, suffered in a fall from the second-story porch of his home.

Leaving a note that he was impelled to kill himself from remorse over having deserted his wife, Charles Lawrence, aged forty, was found dead from poison in the Penn Hotel, Allentown.

William McIntyre, Jr., of Twedale, Chester county, committed suicide by throwing himself under the engine of a train on the Lancaster, Oxford & Southern Railroad

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Long Journey.

A railroad from Nome to Cape Horn is being considered, and sometimes we may be able to take a through sleeper from one end of the American continent to the other. In that case we would sample all kinds of climate from arctic to tropical and we would encounter endless variety of surface and scenery. Popular Mechanics says that several routes for such a railroad are being considered, but which ever one may be chosen the lines already built and covering over half the distance would be utilized. The fact that these exist makes the project seem less like a dream, but if we smile over it we might remember that men of affairs laughed at Cecil Rhodes when he suggested a railroad from the Cape of Good Hope to Cairo—the entire length of Africa—but that road is now being built—is more than half done, indeed.

Logical.

Nurse—Goodness me, what 'ave you been doing to your dolls?

Joan—Charley's killed them. He said they were made in Germany, and how were we to know they weren't spies? —Punch.

Most women have a mania for the kind of garments that are more ornamental than useful.

When a man has nothing to say he is called upon to make a speech.

To Build Strong Children

Supply their growing bodies with right food, so that Brain, and Muscle, and Bone development may evenly balance.

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HINTS FOR DAIRYMAN

Keep Cows Clean by Careful and Easy Brushing.

Animals Bred to Come-In in Fall Are In Best Flow of Milk During Winter—Keep a Record and Weed Out Weak Producers.

Keep the old hair brushed off as fast as it becomes loose and do not allow the cow to get it mixed with her feed or get it in her mouth while licking herself when turned out in the yard.

To some it may seem as an overrefinement to brush a cow, but there is no doubt of its being useful and beneficial when done in an easy and careful manner.

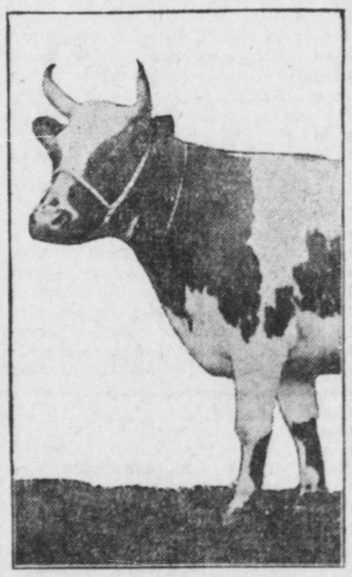
If cows are bred so as to come-in in the fall they are in their best flow of milk during the winter. By spring, when they begin to fall off in milk the grass comes in to stimulate a larger flow and they keep it up until time to be dried off for the next calf. This gives the nonmilking period at a time in the year when butter and milk are the lowest.

Don't be afraid to begin feeding early in the fall if the pastures are short, for it does not pay to have cows fail in their milk at this time in the year.

The total solids in milk are largely dependent on the quality of the food given, while the richness of the ingredients depends on the breed.

We know a little dairy of 15 cows which has brought in its owner just about an even hundred dollars a month all this season. The cows are selected milkers and the owner is a careful man in every way. This kind of dairying pays.

The farmer should keep a record of his individual cows in order that he may weed out the poor producers. The value of the time required in the use of the scales, milk sheet, Babcock test and record book will be



Strawberry, Prize-Winning Ayrshire Cow.

more than repaid by the elimination of one unprofitable animal from the herd.

Don't let the cows sleep out on cold, rainy nights when you need a fire to keep warm in the house. It takes feed to heat her body and you cannot get as good returns at the pail by this treatment.

What is each of your cows costing you?

It is a good plan to test the cows occasionally to see if there are any deadheads in the herd. Might be a good plan to watch the owner carefully, too. He is just as susceptible to deadheadedness as the cows.

Before you rid the dairy herd of the "robber cow" make sure that she is having a fair show by being supplied with the proper rations, care and shelter.

Keep the fall calf growing and you will have a good one to turn out on pasture in the spring.

In the feeding of calves there is a splendid opportunity for a man to exercise patience and kindness.

A large part of the danger from dirt in milk can be avoided by using a pail with a hood.

MAKING RAINY DAYS USEFUL

Many Little Odds and Ends to Be Attended to Instead of Lounging About and Napping.

(By WALTER B. LEUTZ.)

Instead of spending the rainy day in lounging about and napping at intervals, the farmer may find it a day of profit to him. There are broken pieces of harness or machinery that need attention. The harness needs oiling, some sick stock may need doctoring. The rainy day is an opportunity for this work. I know a man who has built a tool house for rainy day work. Here he mends harness, makes new parts for machinery, manufactures new double and single trees to replace the broken ones. Often he makes some article convenient for the home. In fact, his work shop often consumes more of his time than the rainy days give him.

What Should Have Been.

When pigs are kept eight months, when fully as good weights could have been obtained at six months, the profit is anything but what it should have been.

DISEASE OF FOOT AND MOUTH

Trouble Caused by Virus or Germ That Passes Through Finest Filter—Protect Healthy Animals

Foot-and-mouth disease has broken out in several middle West states. It is very contagious and is caused by a virus or germ that passes through the finest filter. The germ has never been seen or cultivated. It is spread by persons who have handled infected animals, by all classes of live stock, hay and straw from infected farms, green hides and fleeces, and by any transportation agency. Every outbreak that has occurred in this country has been traced to imported infection.

The chief symptoms of foot-and-mouth disease are small "water-blisters" or vesicles which develop on the membrane covering the lips and tongue, and upon the skin of the feet or the udder. Cattle are most susceptible to the disease, then follow hogs, sheep and goats. Persons rarely become infected. Naturally infected animals may show symptoms after two days but sometimes not until 11 days after having been exposed. A moderate fever develops in the first or second day. Cattle "slobber" when eating and dribble long, sticky threads of saliva from the corners of the mouth. The animals get lame as a result of blisters appearing between the toes. These blisters soon break, discharge a straw-colored fluid and leave raw sores which become infected with dirt, so that pus forms.

In the great majority of cases, recovery will occur if the disease is allowed to run its course. The mortality amounts to less than 1 per cent as a rule unless complications set in. However, on account of the serious consequences which would follow an uncontrolled outbreak, both federal and state live stock sanitary authorities exert every means to stamp out the disease. All cloven-footed animals on infected farms are killed and buried in quicklime. The premises are thoroughly disinfected and quarantine rules strictly enforced. Treatment is out of the question.

Healthy animals should be protected in every way possible from coming in contact with infected objects to prevent introduction of the disease. It is advisable to keep stock out of the highways and away from pastures bordering on main-traveled roads.

Among the reasons why every effort should be made to stamp out the disease at once are the following: It interferes with the sale of animals both locally and with other states and countries; it brings about the closure of fairs and stock markets; it restricts the supply of milk and beef. It behooves every farmer to co-operate in the fullest way to prevent the further introduction of the disease into the state.

GOOD PRUNING SUGGESTIONS

Winter Cutting Increases Vigor of Plant—Implement Illustrated for Culling Out Canes.

Do not cut out large limbs.

Never prune in frosty weather. Frost-bitten wounds are slow to heal.

Never leave the stubs in cutting off limbs.

Prune annually, but never heavily.

Wounds heal most rapidly in spring.

Heavy pruning conduces to wood growth.

In transplanting cut back top and root.

Keep the tree free of suckers.

Summer pruning induces fruitfulness.

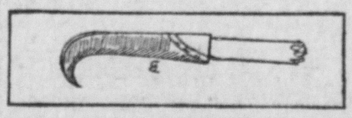
Torn wounds are generally fatal.

Paint over the larger wounds.

A heavy pruning is always followed by a heavy growth of suckers.

Winter pruning increases the vigor of the plant.

The implement shown in the illustration will be found quite handy in culling out brier canes. It has a sharp



For Culling Out Brier Canes.

edge (B) its entire length, and is cut away at the back of its butt-end. A socket is formed from sheet-iron, having edge-flanges attached to opposite sides of blade.

ATTENTION TO COLT'S FEET

Neglect Will Contribute Largely to Poor Set of Legs, Influencing Efficiency of Animal.

(By W. H. PALMER, Ohio College of Agriculture.)

Poor feet and legs found upon the large majority of horses are due directly to the lack of proper care of the colt's feet. To neglect to see that the foot grows out evenly is to contribute to a poor set of legs which influence directly the efficiency of the horse when used later. As the colt grows, it may throw more weight on one side of its feet than the other, causing that side to wear faster and producing an unbalanced condition. Nature, in her attempt to overcome this, causes the bones of the legs to adjust themselves to this condition, resulting in poorly placed and developed legs. Then the added weight to one side may cause the uneven development of the hoof. The ideal foot is one that is large and round, with the wall at the quarter sloping the same on the inside as the outside and the heels wide.

The Markets

NEW YORK.—Wheat—Spot easy; No. 2 red and No. 2 hard, 117½c; No. 1 Northern Duluth, 119¾; No. 1 Northern Manitoba, 124¼, all nominal, c i f Buffalo to arrive.

Corn—Spot easy; new No. 2 yellow, 73½c c i f to arrive. Argentina prime, 68@69c delivered.

Cheese—State, whole milk, fresh, colored or white, specials, 15¼@15½c; do average fancy, 14½@15; Wisconsin, whole milk, twins, 15@15¾.

Dressed Poultry—Lower; Western broilers fresh, 17@25c; fowls, 13½@18½; turkeys, 14@23. Live irregular; Western chickens, 13½@14c; fowls, 12½@15; turkeys, 16@17.

PHILADELPHIA.—Wheat—Car lots, in export elevator, No. 2 red, spot and November, $1.14@1.17; No. 1 Northern Duluth, $1.25½@1.28½; No. 2 red, Western, $1.19@1.22.

Rye—$1.05@1.12 per bushel.

Corn—Car lots, No. 2 yellow, 82@82½c; steamer yellow, old, 81½@82c.

Oats—No. 2 white, 54½@55c; standard white, 53½@54c; No. 3 white, 53@53½c.

Butter — Western, solid-packed creamery, fancy, special, 37c; extra, 35c; extra firsts, 33@34c; firsts, 30@31c; seconds, 26@28c; nearby prints, fancy, 38c; average extra, 36@37c; firsts 32@35c; seconds, 30@31c; jobbing sales of fancy prints, 43@45c.

Eggs—Nearby extra, 40c per dozen; firsts, $10.80 per standard case; nearby current receipts, $9.90@10.20 per crate; Western and Southwestern, extra firsts, $10.80 per case; firsts, $9.90@10.20 per case; seconds, $7.20@7.80; Southern, $8.40@9 per case; candled and recrated fresh eggs, 44@46c; refrigerator eggs, according to quality, 21@27c per dozen.

Live Poultry—Fowls, fine large, 14@16c; old roosters, 11@12c; spring chickens, 13@16c; ducks, 14@15c; geese, 14@15c; guineas, young per pair; weighing 2 pounds and over apiece, 75c; do do, weighing 1½@1¾ pounds apiece, 65@70c per pair; do do, weighing 1 pound apiece, per pair, 50c; do do, old, 50c per pair; pigeons, per pair, 15@18c; turkeys, 18@20c.

BALTIMORE.—Wheat—No. 2 red spot and November, 115; December, 115¼; January, 117.

Corn—Receipts, 98,286 bu, including 1,700 bu Southern. Shipments from elevators, 45,878 bu. Stock in elevators, 197,550 bu.

Corn—Spot mixed, 70¼c for new old mixed spot, 78c nominal.

Oats—Standard white, 53¼@53½c; No. 3 white, 52¾@53.

Rye—No. 2 rye Western, 114@115; do, No. 3, 106@107; do, No. 4, 105@106; No. 2 rye nearby, 104 nominal; bag lots of nearby rye, as to quality, 95@1.05.

Butter—Creamery, fancy, 34@34½; creamery, choice, 32@33; creamery, good, 30@31; creamery, prints, 33@35; creamery, blocks, 32@34½; ladles, 21@22; Maryland and Pennsylvania, rolls, 21@22; Ohio, rolls, 20@21; West Virginia, rolls, 20@21; storepacked, 19@20.

Eggs—Maryland, Pennsylvania and nearby, firsts, 35c; Western, firsts, 35; West Virginia, firsts, 34; Southern, firsts, 32@33.

Live Poultry—Chickens—Old hens, 4 lbs and over, 14c; do, small to medium, 13; old roosters, 10; young, smooth and fat, 14; do, rough and poor, 13. Ducks—Muscovy, 3 lbs and over, 13c; Pekings, 3 lbs and over, 14; puddle, 3 lbs and over, 13@14; smaller, 12; Indian runners, 12. Geese—Nearby, 14@15c; Western and Southern, 13. Pigeons—Young, per pair, 20c; old, do, 20. Guinea fowl—Young, 1½ lbs and over, each, 35c; smaller, do, 25. Turkeys—Young, 9 lbs and over, lb, 19c; do, smaller, 16@17; old, 18@19.

Dressed Poultry—Turkeys—Choice, 20@21c; fair to good, 18@19; rough to poor, 15@16. Chickens—Choice, young, 15@16; old and mixed, 14@15; old roosters, 11. Ducks, 14@15. Geese—Nearby, 15@16c; Western and Southern, 13@14.

Live Stock

CHICAGO. — Hogs — Bulk, $7.35@7.55; light, $7@7.55; mixed, $7.20@7.65; heavy, $7.15@7.65; rough, $7.15@7.25; pigs, $5@7.

Cattle—Native steers, $5.75@10.50; Western steers, $5.40@9; cows and heifers, $3.60@9.20; calves, $8.25@11.50.

Sheep — Sheep, $5.40@6.25; yearlings, $6.40@6.85; lambs, $6.50@9.25.

ST. LOUIS, MO.—Hogs—Pigs and light, $6.50@7.65; mixed and butchers, $7.50@7.90; good, heavy, $7.65@7.90.

Cattle—Native beef steers, $7.50@10.75; cows and heifers, $5@9.25; Texas and Indian steers, $5.75@7.75; cows and heifers, $4@6; native calves, $6@10.50.

Sheep—Native muttons, $5.50@6.25; lambs, $8@9.

KANSAS CITY.—Hogs—Bulk, $7.50@7.85; heavy, $7.70@7.75; packers and butchers', $7.55@7.85; light, $7.45@7.85; pigs, $7@7.50.

Cattle—Prime fed steers, $10@11.05; dressed beef steers, $7.75@9.75; Western steers, $7@9.50; Southern steers, $5.50@7.50; cows, $4.55@7.50; heifers, $6.50@9.25; stockers and feeders, $6@8; bulls, $5.50@7; calves, $6.50@10.25.

Sheep — Lambs, $8@9; yearlings, $6.50@7.65; wethers, $5.50@6.50; ewes, $4.50@5.50.

GOOD PROSPECT FOR SPORT

Quail Not Only in Profusion, But Seemingly of High Order of Intelligence.

They were talking about fine hunting the other night when Dr. Elmer B. Cooley, Uncle Joe Cannon's congressional opponent, was reminded of an incident that happened in his home state.

At the beginning of the hunting season, the doctor said, an enthusiastic nimrod named Smith telegraphed a hotel friend in the game region for reservation, and at the appointed time he was right on the job.

"Hello, Harry!" he exclaimed, saluting mine host, as he dragged his dogs and guns to the hotel veranda. "Everything all right?"

"Couldn't be better," was the prompt response of mine host.

"How about the game?" returned the sportsman, eagerly. "Are there any quails aroun'?"

"Well, I should say so!" declared mine host. "Every time the cook throws a refuse piece of toast out of the back window four or five fat quails fight to see which one shall lie down on it!"—Philadelphia Telegraph.

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Defends American Boys.

Mrs. Joseph Gazzam of Philadelphia says that when she was in Berlin and Dresden she heard much criticism of the way in which Americans coddle their boys, and the Germans declared that if ever the Americans expected to do any fighting they must change their methods of training boys. Mrs. Gazzam replied that much as American boys are "coddled," no one ever heard of an American girl cleaning her brother's boots. Our men may be spoiled, she said, but not at the expense of the girls.—Woman's National Weekly.

Playing Chickens.

The egg setting process greatly interested Jack Hastings, three years old. Recently Jack and his sister, Margaretta, just about one now, were playing like the Hastings' back porch was a chicken yard. Jack conceived the idea that it was about time for Margaretta to "set," so he went to the refrigerator, brought out three dozen nice new eggs, quoted at 30 cents a dozen.

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And Margaretta sat.

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"Overhead charges, Smith."

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"Nay, it is naught to me."

A Slam.

"Do you believe in dreams?"

"I did till I met you."—Harvard Lampoon.

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Clerk—Ten dollars a week.

Boss—My gracious! How many women are you going to marry?

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VITAL FORCE

Disease germs are on every hand. They are in the very air we breathe. A system "run down" is a prey for them. One must have vital force to withstand them. Vital force depends on digestion—on whether or not food nourishes—on the quality of blood coursing through the body.

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DEATHS.

Rev. Dr. Isaac P. Neff passed away at his home near Siglerville, Mifflin county, on Friday, November 27, aged eighty-one years and ten months.

Rev. Neff, a son of John and Catharine Durst Neff of Penns Valley, was born January 24, 1833. He was the fourth youngest of a family of seventeen children, nine sons and eight daughters, all of whom grew to maturity and the Rev. was the last of the family to be called by death.

His early life, up until the age of twenty-one was spent on the farm and his days at school until he became of age were very few. In 1854-1855 he attended preparatory school at Pennsylvania College and six months in 1856 at Dickinson Seminary, at Williamsport. He then taught a term of school and in 1857 began the study of medicine, graduating from Jefferson Medical College in March, 1859. He located in the lower end of Penns Valley, where he practiced medicine with success for eight years.

During all this time he felt that he was called to be a minister of the gospel, hence he studied theology at Gettysburg Seminary, but because of lack of funds, his stay at this institution was short and in 1867 he received adinterum license from the Juniata Conference of the Synod of Central Pennsylvania.

In 1868 he received a call and became pastor of the Liberty Charge of the Lutheran church in Tioga county. He later served the Montoursville and South Williamsport charge for seven years, finishing two fine church buildings. He then served the Minersville charge for twenty-one months and the Shenandoah Mission for eighteen months. In the Blain charge, which he served for seven years, he built three fine brick churches. In 1890 he went to Middleburg and from 1891 to 1893 assisted in erecting the Lutheran church at that place. From 1895 to 1898 he served the Milroy charge. From 1898 to 1902 he served the Knoxdale charge in Jefferson county, resigning in March 1902 on account of failing health.

Dr. Neff was united in marriage to Miss Mary J., daughter of Jacob and Eve Wolf in July, 1862. To this union was born five children. His wife died January, 1893, and he was again married in 1899 to Anna L. Swartzel of Milroy, who survives him. His body was taken to the home of his daughter in Middleburg where the funeral services were held, interment being made in the Glendale cemetery at that place.

Thursday forenoon at eleven o'clock the angel of death came stealthily into the home of Mr. and Mrs. William Cummings who reside four miles west of Centre Hall and claimed little Alice, the youngest of the family, aged four years, ten months and twenty-seven days, after an illness of less than a week with tonsilitis.

She was exceptionally bright and cheery and loved by all who knew her.

Funeral services were held at 1:30 Saturday in the Lutheran church at Tusseyville, Rev. Stover of the Reformed church of Boalsburg officiating.

She leaves to mourn her loss her father, mother, two sisters, Carrie and Verna, and one brother, Charles, all at home.

The family take this opportunity to thank all neighbors and friends who so kindly assisted during their bereavement.

Matt. 19:14. Suffer the little children to come unto me for of such is the kingdom of heaven.

One little lamb is in the upper fold,
From heat of summer and from winter's cold,
Safe from earth's troubles and its dreams untrue,
One little lamb is waiting for you.

One precious child whose little pattering feet
With holy prophets tread the golden street,
Or wander ever 'mid blest Eden's bowers,
Waiting your coming through the golden hours.

One little lamb from every sorrow free,
Through years of unending eternity,
From heat of summer and from winter's cold,
Is waiting for you in the upper fold.

Samuel F. Mayes died at Granville, Mifflin county, aged almost seventy years. He was born at Pine Grove Mills, but for the last thirty years lived in Mifflin county. He enlisted in troop F, First Penn. Cavalry, under Gen. John P. Taylor. In the great battle on the left of Petersburg he lost his left leg and was discharged on disability. Several children survive.

Pine Glenn Flouring Mills Burned.

Early Saturday morning the flouring mills at Pine Glenn, Bratton township, Mifflin county, were totally destroyed entailing a loss of over $6,000, $3000 having just recently been spent in placing new machinery. There was but $1800 insurance. The fire is supposed to have been caused by an overheated journal. The property is that of C. G. Corbin of Granville, representative-elect from Mifflin county.

"And de Brewer's big hosses can't run over me!" Can you honestly make this expression, or are you under he hoof now?

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Great Fire Sale!

Began Friday, December 4th

Ask those who wear a smile, about the bargains we're offering. Such a slaughtering of prices has never been heard of in the history of Centre county. We're turning them away contented and happy. Everything as advertised. Goods almost being given away. Come and get your share. A force of fifteen extra salespeople are on hand ready to wait on you. We need the money; you need the Bargains; don't let this opportunity go by. Read some of the items herein advertised:

Men's Suits

Men's $20 Michael Stern Suits, fire sale price - - - - - - $12.98
Men's $12.50 all-wool Suits, worsteds and serges; guaranteed; at 6.98
Men's $15.00 Suits, pure wool, latest models, guaranteed wear, at 8.98
Men's Styleplus Suits, ($17.00 the world over.) The greatest value in up-to-date latest model suits. Special only at this great Fire Sale 11.98

THE OPPORTUNITY OF A LIFETIME

200 Men's Overcoats

Regular price $10 & $12. Special Fire Sale Price Only - - - - - $4.98

Men's Raincoats

$6.00, 7.00, 8.00 Values; all sizes, fully guaranteed. Fire Sale price - 3.48

100 Boys' Overcoats

Regular price $6.00 and 7.00. Fire Sale price - - - - - - - - 2.79

50 Children's Suits

Regular price $3, 3.50; Sizes 10 to 18 Fire Sale price - - - - - - - 98c

500 pr. Men's heavy cotton Socks, price 4c
400 Handkerchiefs for Men; red, blue and white. Regular 10c kind - - 3c
600 Canvas Gloves, reg. price 10c, at 4c
350 pr. Men's all-wool Socks, regular 35c kind; Fire Sale price - - - 19c
Men's $1.50 & 2.00 Flannel Shirts, all pure wool; Fire Sale price - - - 98c
Men's regular 50c Work Shirts, Fire Sale price - - - - - - - - 37c
Men's 50c Ties, 33c; Men's 25c Ties . 15c
Men's $1 Rubbers, all sizes - - 59c
Women's 75c Rubbers, all sizes - - 45c
Children's 60c Rubbers, all sizes - - 29c

Ladies' Suits

50 Ladies' Suits, regular price $12 to $15, fire sale price - - - - $3.49
100 Ladies' & Misses' Coats, Regular price $10 to $15; at - 4.98
125 Caracul Fur Coats, latest models, regular price $12 to $15, 6.98

Ladies' Dress Skirts

50 Dress Skirts, regular $4.00 & 5.00 Fire Sale price - - - - - - - $1.79
25 All-wool Dresses, regular $7.00 and 8.00, Fire Sale price - - - - - 2.48

Sweaters

Men's $5 & $6 Sweaters, the best on the market; Fire Sale price - - - 3.98
Men's Pure Wool Sweaters, reg. price $3.25, 4.00 & 4.50; Fire Sale price - 1.98
Men's All Wool $1.50 Sweaters, Fire Sale price - - - - - - - 98c
Boys' $2.00 Pure Wool Sweaters, at - 98c
125 Ladies' All Wool Sweaters, all sizes all colors, regular $3 and $4, sale price 1.48

Underwear

50c Fleece-lined Underwear, sale price 39c
$1.50 Pure Wool Underwear, sale price 98c

Furs--All Colors

Coons, Foxes, Blue Bear and Minks; all go AT HALF PRICE

Children's Coats

Regular price $3 to $6. Sale price - 1.98

Men's Trousers

300 Pr. $2 and $3 Trousers - - - 1.48
200 Pr. $4, $5, $6 Trousers, now - - 2.98
100 Pr. $1.50 Trousers, fire sale price - 69c

THE BARGAIN HOUSE **HERR'S** THE BARGAIN HOUSE

Department Store

MILLHEIM, PA.

Tusseyville

Mr and Mrs. Foster Frazier of near Spring Mills assisted John Horner in butchering on Friday.

Revival services in Zion church are growing in interest and attendance under the direction of Rev. Bierly.

W. G. Runkle, Esq., of Bellefonte and Miss Laura Runkle of Centre Hall were Sunday visitors at the Runkle homestead.

Mrs. Frank Musser and son Clarence of Penn Hall, and Hugh Runkle of Zion, spent Monday at the home of their brother, James Runkle, where they assisted in butchering.

The busiest place in this section is Swartz's store, where, because of the reduced prices on all goods, people are coming in automobiles and other vehicles from all parts of the county.

Centre Mills.

Mr. Harter of Zion visited Mrs. Hassenplug, Sunday.

Luther Schaeffer is confined to the house with rheumatism.

Grandfather Schaeffer returned last Saturday from a visit in Georges Valley.

Mr. and Mrs. Adam Reish entertained a number of friends from Zion over Sunday.

Norman Emerick and Mr. Miller visited the former's mother, Mrs. Emerick, over Sunday.

Arthur G. Cummings attended the funeral of his brother's child near Centre Hall Saturday.

Mrs. Annie Cann and her children of Altoona visited her parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. A. Kline, over Sunday.

Stoves and Ranges

POSSIBLY that old heater or cook stove that has done service for these many years should be replaced by a more modern stove that will not only give better satisfaction but will save fuel. Come in and see our complete line of stoves for all purposes. We have the stove you need.

Our Coal Oil Heaters and Cookers (that make no odor) are making satisfied buyers.

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